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Tories punish parking row trio

THREE councillors have been banned from sitting on any of their authority's committees after they opposed contentious plans to introduce car parking charges in Ely.

At East Cambridgeshire District Council's development and transport sub-committee meeting earlier this month the controversial proposals were sensationally put on hold.

Conservatives hoped the scheme would have been rubber-stamped but a decision was deferred after emo-

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tional pleas from traders, residents and councillors – including fellow Conservative members.

But those pleas from Tory councillors Mike Rouse, who represents Ely North, Elaine Griffin-Singh, who too represents Ely North, and Anna Bailey, who represents the Downham villages, now mean they are banned from sitting on any of the council's committees.

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Warm gesture: Tashi Marley, 6, set up the Clever Coat Campaign and more than 100 people have given winter coats to help people in need. Tashi is pictured beside one of the drop-off boxes at Mepal and Witcham Primary School, Mepal. See story – page 3. Picture: Keith Heppell 815618

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Anger over Tories' punishment for three parking row councillors

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All three say council leader Peter Moakes and deputy leader James Palmer have told them the ban is "their punishment".

Cllr Moakes said: "It is true as the leaders of the Conservatives, we have decided these three members will not be allowed to sit on any committees. We feel all three of them were out of order at the meeting as they went against their Conservative members. It was very disappointing and caused major upset."

"I'm not sure how long they will not sit on any of the committees for but it will be for a while."

"This is a matter for these three members. It should not affect any member of the public in any way."

Cllr Bailey has described the decision as "appalling" and says she is being "denied her democratic rights".

She said: "Cllr Moakes and Palmer have told us all this is

our punishment.

"Just because we did not agree with what our fellow members had to say we have been shunned. It's an absolutely appalling state of affairs."

"If this is local democracy then I honestly don't think I want to be part of that anymore. This means I will no longer be able to have an influence on any decisions, decisions which affect the residents who elected me."

"I am being denied my democratic rights."

Cllr Griffin-Singh said: "I am not prepared to sit back and just agree with people for the sake of it."

"I have to represent the people who elect me and I think 12,000 signatures on a petition against parking charges depicts a clear viewpoint. This is not local democracy."

The decision means as of June, all three councillors will only be able to attend full council meetings, which are three times a year.



Coins go some way to raising Jubilee fun fund

Looking after the pennies: From left, Brett Collard, Penny Mayo, Cyril Redding, Bruce Mayo, Amanda Slater with daughter Poppy, 5, Sarah Adderley with Martha, 5, and Harry, 6.

Picture: Duncan Lamont

VILLAGERS in Sutton came up with a unique way to raise money for their Queen's Diamond Jubilee celebrations.

They collected and laid out hundreds of coins in a bid to create a mile of pounds running the stretch of Pound Lane, in Sutton.

Unfortunately, they didn't reach their target of a mile, but did raise £342.84.

The total length of coins collected last weekend was 1,021 inches, however a mile is 63,360 inches.

Brian Watson, secretary for the Sutton Jubilee Committee who organised the event, said: "We were absolutely delighted to involve so many people, of all ages, on the day."

"As we were on a side street we weren't sure if many

people would turn up, but there was more or less a non-stop flow.

"It was a brilliant weekend and we managed to raise well over £300 that will really help towards our celebrations."

The money will go towards a vintage car parade on Friday, June 1, a street party on Saturday, June 2 and other planned festivities.

Country Park to be refurbished

A COUNTRY park in Ely is to undergo major refurbishment.

Work will include resurfacing a car park, putting in cycle racks, improving signage and possibly creating a bat habitat on Ely common.

East Cambridgeshire District Council will be working with The Wildlife Trust and local volunteer group Ely Wildspace, to improve the facilities at Ely Country Park.

Improvements will also include stabilising mounds underneath a zip line and a slide, adding a disabled parking space and encouraging wild flowers to grow in the area.

Work on resurfacing Fisherman's Car Park at the end of Willow Walk will take start on Monday and will finish next Thursday.

The car park will be closed to the public for four days and alternative parking adjacent to Lavender Green, as well as at Ship Lane and Fore Hill car parks.

Mary, youngest of 17, scores a century

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MARY Oakey was full of smiles this week as she celebrated her 100th birthday in the sunshine.

Mary, real name Florence, was surrounded by family and friends as she marked the major milestone and admired her telegram from The Queen.

Up until last year, the sprightly centenarian lived in her own home in Hoof Close, Littleport – the village she has lived in since her 20s.

Mary was born in Willingham on March 22, 1912, the youngest of the 17 children of Walter and Emma Tibbitt. It was when she married her late husband Wilfred Oakey that she was surrounded by a close-knit family of 49 years, moved to Littleport.

Wilfred was a crane driver at a factory in Ely and Mary worked at the famous Hope Brothers shirt factory in Littleport. When Wilfred retired, he became a part-time handyman at Ely police station. He died 18 years ago.

The couple had no children but were surrounded by a close-knit family of brothers and sisters.

Today, it is Mary's nieces and



Time to celebrate: Mary surrounded by her cards

Picture: Richard Patterson

nephews, and in particular Shirley Craig, 76, from Littleport, who keep her company.

Mrs Craig said: "Up until last year Mary was in her own home and lived opposite me. I visited her and she had carers but she was living independently in her own home."

"She then fell and broke her hip, which is when we decided she needed to come to Laburnum Lodge care home in the village."

"She's absolutely marvellous for 100 and can't believe herself that she is that age. She does have memory loss but she can still walk about, read and chat."

"Mary absolutely loved knitting and just lived a happy, good life, keeping herself to herself and enjoying time with her family."

Family, friends and staff at Laburnum Lodge gathered on Thursday for drinks and nibbles to celebrate the milestone.

Angry Pied Piper to halt street fundraising

THE Pied Pier of Ely is "sticking to his guns" and will no longer fundraise for charity.

The piper, Tony Pearson, says he feels "personally insulted" after being told he must have a licence if he is to raise money for the Ely Community First Responders.

As reported in the *Weekly News* earlier this month, East Cambridgeshire District Council has told Mr Pearson the law requires him to apply for a licence if collectors are to accompany him when performing on the streets.

For years, he has entertained people in the city while at the same time raising money for the responders, who volunteer their spare time to get to the scene of an emergency before paramedics arrive.

Since 2009, he has raised almost £4,000 for the charity.

But Mr Pearson has now decided to stop.

He said: "It's a sad and a tough decision to make but I will no longer be collecting for charity."

"I am personally insulted that the council say I require a licence to perform if collectors are present."

"The council's attitude stinks and I am sticking to my guns. I'm sick of banging my

head against a brick wall with them."

Mr Pearson will still perform at events such as Ely Eel Day and Apple Day and his band, Ely Piper's Noyze will still be available for private functions and events.

He said: "I'd like to thank everyone who has supported my band and I."

A spokesperson for the district council said: "It is a great shame Mr Pearson has decided to no longer play his music regularly in Ely."

"We have been working closely with the Ely Community First Responders to ensure they had the necessary permits to collect money with Mr Pearson throughout the rest of the year – 22 in all."

"These licenses are part of national regulations, for anyone collecting for charities has to first register with their local authority."

"There are many reasons for this with the most important being to make sure the money you are donating is going directly to a worthy cause."

"It is important to stress that these permits are free and should anyone have any queries we are always here to provide advice and help to complete the required forms."

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SPORTING EFFORT: Above left, pupils at Ely College take part. Below left, from left, Freya Theale, 11, and Louisa Bennett, 12, Above right, from left, Rian Swift, 12, and Maisie Leonard, 12.

Picture: Keith Heppell



PEOPLE of all ages ran, skipped and hopped to raise as much money as possible for Sport Relief.

The biennial charity event, run by Comic Relief, was held on Friday to help vulnerable people in both the UK and the world's poorest countries.

At Ely College, pupils in every year group donned their running shoes to help the cause. The school's sixth-form student council organised an entire school event, which saw

different year groups running throughout the day. Many chose to wear fancy dress just to make the event more colourful.

Students at the Lantern Primary School in Ely, aged 3-11, also completed laps of the school playing field to support the campaign.

Jan Copley, head teacher, said: "I was delighted when members of the school council came to ask my permission to hold a sponsored walk."

"Raising money for charity is

a key priority for the council. Not only does a sponsored walk support the school's ongoing commitment to promote health and wellbeing but will also help to raise funds for such a worthwhile cause."

It is hoped the sponsored walk will have raised more than £250 for Sport Relief.

Officers and staff from Cambridgeshire police covered 101 miles to raise money for the cause. 101 volunteers from across the force gave up their

lunch hour to take part in the fundraiser at police headquarters in Huntingdon and raise awareness of the new 101 number.

Chief Constable Simon Parr said: "It was a great fundraising event and I am pleased so many officers and staff from across the force took part."

"It was a great opportunity for everyone to get together to raise money for a good cause, while raising the profile of the new non-emergency number."

Tashi's coat drive nets 143 warm donations

A CAMPAIGN launched by a caring 6-year-old girl has been a roaring success.

Tashi Marley, a pupil at Witcham Primary School, set up collection points for people to drop off unwanted coats, gloves and hats to pass on to other children.

Since the campaign was launched last winter, 143 coats have been collected.

A national charity, Women's Aid, will then send these to children under the age of 14, who are in need of warm clothes.

Tashi set up the Clever Coat Campaign, with the help of her mum Ruth, after she became concerned about what would happen to her coat when it needed replacing.

Ruth said: "We are really pleased with the response. People have been really generous and in this economic climate it is even more of a sacrifice."

"The important message of this campaign is children helping children."

Unwanted winter coats can be dropped off throughout this year at Tashi's primary school or at the Mepal village shop.

You can also donate by emailing tashi.clevercoatscampaign@gmx.com.

Marathon effort is thank you to charity

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A MOTHER is set to run a marathon for a charity that helped her "strong and affectionate little girl."

Jacqui Baldwin, 43, a solicitor from Ely, has a daughter, Eve, 3, who was diagnosed with epilepsy when she was just 16 months old.

During difficult and frightening times, the charity, Epilepsy Action, helped support the family.

To give something back, Jacqui is now preparing to run the London Marathon on April 22.

She said: "Eve had her first seizure when she was at nursery. We thought it was temperature related, but we took her to Addenbrooke's."

"She then began having them 10, 11, 12 times a day and through the night and she ended up in intensive care. They were very vicious when they first came about."

While Eve was in intensive care, Jacqui saw on the hospital's notice board, a nurse had completed a marathon to raise money for children with epilepsy, which inspired her to do the same.

She said: "In June last year we tried to take her off her medication, as she was seizure free for a year, but it back-fired terribly."

"She lost 85 per cent of her



Marathon mum: Jacqui Baldwin with Eve, 3.

Picture: Richard Patterson 816010

memory and couldn't tell you what a kettle was. But she was so resilient and in six weeks she got back most of it.

"When Eve was at her most poorly stage 1 was emailing the charity to ask them questions about Eve and it was really helpful."

"Other parents don't understand so it was really important for me to have someone at the end of a computer to say 'this is

normal' and share experiences with."

Eve is now on medication and her epilepsy does not affect her from day to day.

Jacqui added: "She is such a strong little girl in body and in mind. She is wilful and affectionate and just absolutely lovely."

To support Jacqui you can donate at www.virginmoneygiving.com/jacquiBaldwin.

Long delays after crash

A THREE-VEHICLE crash caused long delays on Tuesday morning.

An ambulance was called to assist four passengers, including a 3-year-old boy and two women believed to be about 70 and the other about 80. One driver, a woman of about 50, was treated at the scene for neck pain. No-one was taken to hospital.

The collision was in High Street, Wilburton, just after 8.30am. Traffic built up as far back as the A14.

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Doctor to retire after 25 years at same practice

A DOCTOR is hanging up his stethoscope after 25 years at the same practice.

Dr John Crawford joined St Mary's Surgery in Ely in February 1987. Since then he has treated thousands of patients, been the practice's senior partner and being a keen runner, has run dozens of races.

But he is retiring at the end of this month.

Dr Crawford says in his retirement he hopes to be able to spend more time running, travelling, and that he may also get involved in personal training.

He will be succeeded by Dr Steve Case-Upton, who is currently a GP in Haverhill.

A spokeswoman for St Mary's said: "Dr



Plans for future: Dr John Crawford.

Case-Upton is an enthusiastic GP who is a keen cricketer with a young family.

"He says he is very much looking forward to living and working in Ely."

Hazardous waste plan gets go-ahead

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Quarry in Block Fen Drove.

The decision will mean soils containing hazardous materials delivered to the quarry from construction sites across the region.

Once there, the soils will be washed and filtered for the hazardous materials to then be transported away to Northamptonshire.

A planning report shows that numerous concerns had been raised by East Cambridgeshire District Council and parish councils but that the majority of those had withdrawn their objections following a meeting with the company, the county council and the Environment Agency.

However, eight letters of objection were still sent to the county council from residents and members of the Mepal Fly Fishing Club.

Numerous concerns were raised, including the risk of hazardous waste spillages onto roads and into waterways, and the effects that could have on wildlife and crops.

People were also worried about the impact the operations could have on Mepal Outdoor Centre and the increase in HGV traffic in the area.

However, David Atkinson, minerals and waste planning manager for the county council, is assuring people there is nothing to worry about.

He said: "The term hazardous waste automatically rings alarm bells in people's heads but this is simply contaminated soils from construction sites and demolition sites.

"The soils will be delivered to the quarry, where they will be washed and filtered.

"Any gravel and stones

will be removed and recycled and the residue will then be transported off to the nearest hazardous landfill site, which is in Northamptonshire.

"There were some concerns about this application but having met with the county council, Mick George himself and the Environment Agency, those organisations have withdrawn their objections.

"There is nothing for people to worry about here."

A spokeswoman for Natural England added: "This application is in close proximity to the Ouse Washes Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI).

"However, given the nature and scale of this proposal, Natural England raises no objection to the proposal being carried out according to the terms and conditions of the application."

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Be proud of Wisbech says bishop

THE Bishop of Ely, the Rt Revd Stephen Conway, has urged residents in Wisbech to be proud of their community.

Bishop Stephen visited the Fenland town recently with the High Sheriff of Cambridgeshire, Richard Barnwell, to tour some of the main attractions and see regeneration work in the riverside area.

Wisbech has been criticised by the national media recently,

for its high number of Eastern Europeans and tired town centre. But both Mr Barnwell and Bishop Stephen are urging people to be proud of the town.

Mr Barnwell said: "There has been a long-standing invitation to the bishop to come and see some of the treasures we've got in Wisbech.

"I was delighted to welcome him here and I think Visit: The Rt Revd Stephen Conway.

he was very impressed. Recently the town has had some rather bad publicity, which has been very unfair. I accept we've got some problems but we've also got an awful lot to offer.

"I believe in Wisbech and I believe in the north of the Fens. We need to steady our nerve and try to go forward."

Bishop Stephen said: The bishops of Ely have a centuries-long association with Wisbech as a place which my forebears considered as home."



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Musicians to unite for night

MUSICIANS will come together to perform in Littleport on Friday. A musical extravaganza is being held at the YPL Music Rooms in Granby Street. Eight local acts who have used the music rooms will perform on the night. Nathan Jones, the YPL music rooms' project manager, said: "The idea is to celebrate all styles and give all local musicians the chance to come together to socialise and share the musical projects they have been working on. Performers will include The Podium, The Ice Age, Hypercane Theory, Helayna, Easily Pleased, Holden Girls, John Barry and the Fenland Jam Band."

Entry is £2 and doors open at 7pm.

A visit from Easter bunnies

YOUNG shoppers can meet two Easter bunnies at a supermarket. Topsy and Flopsy will be at Tesco, in Angel Drive, on Easter weekend. Children can complete an Easter quiz pack and fill in a puzzle. There will be chocolate for all children. The best puzzles will be displayed on the store's community noticeboard and there will be chocolate prizes or first, second and third places. The fun will start at 11am to 3pm on Saturday, April 7.

Fish, chips and questions

ENJOY an evening of fish and chips and frustrating questions at a quiz night. A first prize of £60 and a trophy is up for grabs for the winning team, plus raffle prizes to be won. The evening is in support of Tiddlywinks Pre-school, Stretham and will be held on Saturday, May 12, from 7pm to 11pm, at the school. Teams of up to six can enter and the cost is £7.50 per head. To book a place call (01353) 649584 by April 30.

Hoop race comes round again . . .

STUDENTS at the King's School Ely took part in one of the school's most fiercely contested events of the year on Saturday – the annual hoop trundle.

The King's and Queen's Scholars donned their scarlet gowns and grabbed their traditional wooden hoops before taking to the starting line.

The race, which involves bowling the hoops as they run along, was held outdoors at the east end of Ely Cathedral.

Up until last year, it was held inside the cathedral precinct.

Four heats were held, culminating in two finals for the scholars, all sixth-form students, while fellow pupils and staff cheered them on.

The trundle commemorates the re-founding of the school by Henry VIII in 1541. He gave the school its first royal charter and established the 12 King's Scholars – all boys.

One of the privileges he allowed them was to play games, including the bowling of hoops, in the cathedral precincts.

In 1970, the school admitted girls for the first time, and three years later the King's Scholars were joined by the female Queen's Scholars at the request of Queen Elizabeth during her visit to the school in 1973.



Cock-a-hoop: The event, on the East Lawn of Ely Cathedral.

Picture: Duncan Lamont 815245

Disappointed rail customer stole a car

A DRUG user who stole a car because he couldn't get a train to where he wanted to go has been jailed.

Michael King, of West Fen Road, Ely, was given a 12-week sentence when he appeared at Cambridge Magistrates' Court.

Delia Matthews, prosecuting, said the 32-year-old took a Suzuki Swift from Ely railway station on January 27 this year.

She said: "He said he took it because he wasn't able to get a train to where he wanted to go."

The car was later recovered but there was damage to the window, the steering lock and the ignition barrel.

King, who was already behind bars for shoplifting, also pleaded guilty to driving the Swift without a licence, and to theft of tyre repair foam from Budgens in Burwell on February 12.

A further theft from Budgens in January was taken into consideration.

Chris Casey, mitigating, said King had stolen the goods from Budgens to sell for drugs but added his client – an addict for 14 years – now wanted to get off drugs.

Chairman of the bench Hamish Ross also put three points on King's driving licence.

Penalty points and fine for driver left in a wheelchair

A CARELESS driver is temporarily in a wheelchair after he misjudged overtaking a tractor, a court heard.

Metal worker Kevin Sizer, of Queens Road, Littleport, pleaded guilty to driving his Ford Focus along the A10 near Chittering without due care and attention at Cambridge Magistrates' Court on Wednesday.

Sizer's actions resulted in a head-on collision between his car and a Nissan Almera at about 9.30pm on September 22 last year.

Paul Brown, prosecuting, said Sizer, 52, had overtaken a line of cars but pulled in behind a tractor.

He said: "He then pulled out to overtake the tractor,

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straight into the path of an vehicle driven by a retired gentleman with a passenger, who could do nothing to avoid the collision."

He said the cars were travelling between 55 and 60mph and despite immediate breaking, the crash was "unavoidable".

"Very serious" injuries were suffered by the driver of the Nissan – including a fractured sternum – and his passenger fractured her sternum, ribs, elbow, punctured a lung and broke a tooth.

Sizer, unrepresented in court, said he also suffered serious injuries including a broken femur and hip and had since been in a wheel-

chair and off work.

He said he saw the tractor pulling a trailer with a yellow light and made a manoeuvre to overtake it behind another car.

Sizer said: "I was suddenly confronted with the lights of a car. It was obviously a lapse of judgement on my part."

He said he had been driving for 27 years, had a clean licence and this was his first accident.

Sentencing him, presiding magistrates Rosie Spencer said: "This was a really unfortunate action with terrible consequences for you and the people in the other vehicle"

Sizer was given eight penalty points on his driving licence, fined £100 and ordered to pay £70 costs and £15 victim surcharge.



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Play to explore life of Jesus of Nazareth

A PLAY exploring historical events at the heart of Christianity is being staged in Ely.

Impossible God is a one-man passion play written by actor, broadcaster and Methodist minister Frank Topping and performed by Mark Topping. It challenges the audience to look again at the life, death and resurrection of Jesus of Nazareth.

Mark Topping is a professional actor who has appeared as John Wesley on BBC1's *Songs of Praise*. In 2008 he was Che Guevara at the King's Theatre in Gloucester.

The book *An Impossible God* was written and adapted for the stage by Frank Topping.

The play is being staged at Ely Methodist Church on Friday at 7.30pm. Tickets, priced £5, from Celia on (01223) 862330 or the church office on (01353) 662426.

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Parking charge plans fall short

Sir, Since the decision of East Cambridgeshire District Council's development and transport sub-committee to defer the car parking orders which would have seen the introduction of charges for off-street parking in Ely, there have been many letters and articles in the media about the subject.

I now feel it is right to express my thoughts on how the council should move forward on this important subject. I have taken on board all those views expressed at the committee meeting and clearly see the opportunity to reassess the council's position and options. Whilst I believe that a significant majority of the councillors still support the original proposals for charging, I am now convinced the proposals fall short of addressing the needs and demands of our city.

The proposals lacked a coherent strategy to deal with on-street enforcement and therefore did not address the concerns of residents such as in Dovehouse Close who battle every day with inconsiderate and illegal parking. The plans also did not provide these residents the opportunity to purchase permits to allow them park on street and most importantly we did not address the need to ensure a regular turnover in our car parks to achieve a steady flow of shoppers and visitors to our local retail businesses.

Nevertheless, we should remember that the provision of car parking is a cost to every single household in the district, an area stretching from Dullingham to Littleport to Sutton. A good majority of these council tax payers do not use or rarely use this service and I have not heard any arguments to assert that this is fair and equitable.

In addition, it is also worth noting commuters who use the Angel Drove car park and local companies through the business permit scheme, already have to pay to park in Ely. In the instance of commuters, this is more than £500 per year.

My first duty as leader of the district council is to protect statutory services such as refuse collection, housing and public health. To do this I must produce a balanced budget to meet the needs of all our residents. This is not an option – it is a necessity which means we cannot afford to continue to take over £1/4 million a year out of reserves to fund car parking despite what you have heard from others.

You know from your own household budgets that funding your daily expenses through either credit or savings is just building a problem up for the future. As we have seen in the national economy, it is simply not a sustainable option. It should not be forgotten that after years of cuts to our central Government funding, efficiency savings and redundancies, we are a very lean authority with very little left to trim.

This means we must think hard about the next steps we take and look at all the options related to car parking in Ely. If we are to have a truly open and honest discussion, we must do so in a climate where all sides approach the issue with open minds – free from the entrenched attitudes of the past. If we cannot work together to develop workable solutions, we will be storing up significant problems for the future



Workable solutions: Cllr Peter Moakes, leader of East Cambridgeshire District Council, writes on reasons to defer the car parking orders.

of our whole district – creating challenges which will test the resolve of us all.

Cllr Peter Moakes
Leader, East Cambridgeshire District Council

Axing park and ride shortsighted

Sir, When Ely had a park-and-ride service it was quite possible to drive into the city and visit the centre without ever being aware that such a thing existed (Residents in plea over park and ride, *Weekly News*, March 22).

It is hardly surprising that it was under used – it must have been one of the most poorly advertised public services ever.

With rural bus services being reduced, concerns about parking, and increased congestion resulting from the new Sainsbury's, a park-and-ride service is more necessary than ever. At the very least there should be a service 8am-6pm on Saturdays and Thursdays.

Ideally, there should be sites on all the main access roads. By all means make a small charge as has been suggested (it works in Cambridge). It was short-sighted to axe it on purely financial grounds, and not having the service is undoubtedly harming trade in Ely.

The shuttle service mentioned by Cllr Moakes might well prove beneficial but it is unlikely to be used by those who used to take advantage of the park-and-ride, i.e. those from outlying villages and neighbouring towns.

As well as the service being well signed, shopkeepers and traders in Ely should be helped to advertise it. If the district council is serious about helping Ely to prosper without increasing traffic density and pollution, then it must seriously consider re-instating the park-and-ride service and improving it.

Sean McSweeney
West Fen Road
Ely

Skateboarders are no different

Sir, I have just read your report on the skateboarding in the market square and it has really angered me (Skateboard safety plea from traders, *Weekly News*, March 22). I would love to share my thoughts in reply to the people that were complaining. At least the people on BMXs and

front door and ask one of us as to why we skate on the market square, nor do I feel as a young member of the community we are asked for contributions to Ely's 'masterplan', as it is being coined, and one facility which is needed is an exemplary skatepark designed for skateboarders in a convenient area of Ely.

Skaters are not 'youths', we are people. And we are respectable people who are more than capable of having constructive, enjoyable conversations with the older generations of the public, which I have done on numerous occasions on the market square, with and without a skateboard by my feet.

In regards to the safety aspect of skateboarding, we all know the risks, as do the members of the public who are unfortunate enough to have had a collision with a skateboarder, and it is the least of our intentions to cause a disturbance or personal injury to the public.

We simply skate for enjoyment, a release of energy and a source of positive stimulation. Would the public rather see us all turn to drugs, violence and anarchy?

At least we use our time productively to no frequent risk of danger to others, but to ourselves. We all know the risks of personal injury yet we still have fun, and build strong friendship bonds with each other through a worthwhile activity.

I hope this will prompt some thought and concern for the next time you publish an article on skating in Ely.

Jack McCurdy
Columbine Road
Ely

Information was not sufficient

Sir, I was pleased that local people were consulted as to the best possible way in which to solve the problem of congestion near Ely's railway crossing and was not surprised that, in spite of the estimated cost, the majority voted for option B.

However, I feel that we – local people – were given insufficient information, particularly about that option, to be able to give an informed vote.

For example in the leaflet there was no drawing or relevant artist's impression to show the three-dimensional aspect of the bridge/viaduct across the fen so it was very difficult for a lay person to appreciate its impact on the landscape or environment.

I am sure that I am not the only one to hold this view and I hope that current assessments and tests will enable all those interested to make their considered and informed views known when, to quote your report of March 8, "the results go out for further public consultation ahead of a final decision being made by the county council's cabinet this summer."

Pamela Blakeman
Nutholt Lane
Ely

Disgusted by use of 'youth'

Sir, As I am one of the 'youths' that use the market square to skateboard on I feel it appropriate to respond to the article in last week's *Weekly News*.

The market square is, like you mentioned, a "nice open area for the public to enjoy" and as a skateboarding enthusiast or "youth", let us not forget that we are as much a part of the public as the hoards of people that blindly walk and cycle across the square every day without paying attention to us.

Also, as an 18-year old skater who, as surprising as it may be, reads the local newspaper, achieves excellent grades at a Cambridge Sixth Form College and is disgusted by the frequent use of the word 'youth', I find it hard to believe that the council (who are obviously more concerned about the building of new supermarkets and opening of yet another charity shop) and the older citizens of Ely think that skateboarders can be satisfied by a poorly constructed skatepark at St Johns.

This 'skatepark' is more suited to BMX-ing or scooters and if any of the people concerned about the use of the market square happen to wander over to this area, will see the St John's park is over-run on a regular basis with scooters and BMX riders but no skateboarders!

This is certainly not "plenty" as one resident described.

I do not see any attempts from the *Weekly News* to step outside their

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Council takes action over cafe seating

NEW rules have been introduced in a bid to tackle "obstructive" outdoor seating areas in Ely.

Last summer, many of the city's cafés and eateries came under fire for the number of tables and chairs they had out the front of their premises and the way in which they were arranged.

Pedestrians complained to the City of Ely Council and the *Weekly News* that many of the outdoor seating arrangements were clogging the city's streets and forcing people to step into the road, with Market Street, the Market Place and High Street attracting most of the complaints.

Businesses will now be forced to apply for a permit if they want to have outdoor seating. The permits will cost £315 each and will limit the amount of space each premises can have, depending on its location.

Business owners will then have to fork out £100 every two years in order to keep their permits.

Ely mayor, Cllr John Yates, insists cafés' outdoor seating areas need to be restricted and monitored in the city.

He said: "I think it's fair to say that some cafes and restaurants really took advantage of the situation last summer.

"Some had a nice little number of

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tables and chairs outside which did not obstruct footpaths, whereas some had far too many.

"Effectively, they were trying to increase the amount of floor space they had without having to pay the extra costs.

"Now businesses will have to apply for a permit and there will be strict limitations to them."

Ely resident Jeannette Peters has welcomed the news. She said: "I think it's fair to say that some of the cafes in the city centre got greedy last year.

"Small outdoor seating areas soon grew and grew, and many were almost as big as the amount of seating the businesses' had inside.

"Yes, it's nice for people to be able to sit outside in the sunshine but it's not on for the streets to be clogged up and for people to have to step into the streets to avoid the tables."

Cllr Yates said that Cambridgeshire County Council will be legally responsible for the permits and that the city council will act as their agents, monitoring and implementing the permits.



Ghost stories: Elizabeth Johnston with her book, *Haunted Soham*.

Picture: Richard Patterson 814604.

Supernatural sales

A BOOK exploring the ghosts and ghouls of Soham has proved so intriguing that hundreds more copies have had to be published.

When mum-of-two Elizabeth Johnston started to organise Halloween ghost walks in the town around six years ago, she never imagined she would end up becoming an author.

After 12 months of researching Soham's rich history and the ever-growing number

of ghost tales and sightings, Elizabeth, 44, published her book, *Haunted Soham*, earlier this year. But all 250 copies have already sold out and now she is publishing another 250.

Elizabeth said: "I learnt all about the town's history while at Soham Village College and it has always intrigued me. I don't think people realise how rich the history is and there are so many ghosts"

The stories in the book span from the Saxon period to Harold William Griggs, who died two years ago and whose ghost has been seen in Soham's High Street.

The book, is priced at £5.95 and will be available from Burrows Bookshop in Ely and Soham Books in Soham.

For more information about ghost walks in the town, visit www.sohamghostwalks.co.uk.

Plans for stud farm

AN equine stud farm could be created in Haddenham. Oliver Kingsley has applied for planning permission to turn agricultural land at New Farm, in Sutton Road, into an equine stud farm.

In another application, a new house could be built on land in Soham. Mr and Mrs J Sinclair, of East Fen Common, have applied for planning permission to build a detached house and garage on land beside their home.

The applications have been submitted to East Cambridgeshire District Council and decisions could be made within eight weeks.

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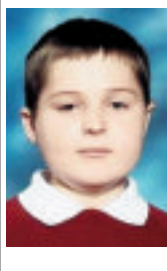
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Deaths

JOHNSON. Margaret formerly of Bell Holt, Ely, passed peacefully away at Cambridge Manor Nursing Home on Saturday, 17th March, 2012, aged 95 years. Wife of the late Bert, much loved mum and nana. Funeral service at Cambridge City Crematorium, West Chapel on Thursday, 29th March, 2012, at 11.15am. Family flowers only but donations, if desired, for Arthur Rank Hospice Charity, may be left at the service or sent to Ely Funeral Service Limited, 4 Tower Road, Ely, CB7 4HW.

MOTT. Norman of Littleport, peacefully in Addenbrooke's Hospital on Tuesday, 20th March, 2012, aged 82 years. Reunited with his wife Pam, brother of Jean and Malvern, uncle to Trevor. Funeral service at Fenland Crematorium, March, on Tuesday, 3rd April, 2012, at 11.15am. Family flowers only but donations, if desired, for Diabetes UK may be left at the service or sent to Ely Funeral Service Limited, 4 Tower Road, Ely, CB7 4HW.

OLIVER. Patrick, peacefully at Cambridge Manor Care Home on Sunday, 25th March, 2012. Beloved husband of Hilary, loving father of Lesley, Dale and Julie, grandfather and great-grandfather. Please contact Ely Funeral Service for arrangements. Tel: 01353 666566.

Roy PAGE

On Wednesday, 7th March, 2012, in hospital, my dear dad of Hopton, Norfolk, formerly of Fen Road, Milton, passed away. Funeral at St Margaret's Church, Hopton, on Monday, 2nd April, at 1.45pm. Donations to Cancer Research may be sent to Arthur Jary, 43 High Street, Gorleston, Great Yarmouth. NR31 6RR

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Warning to 4x4 owners

MOTORISTS who own 4x4 vehicles are being urged to take extra security precaution against catalytic converter thieves. It comes following a spate of catalytic converter thefts in the Fenland area. It is believed the converters are stolen for the metals they contain.

Owners of 4x4 vehicles, particularly the Mitsubishi L200 and Nissan Navara, are being urged to keep them in a garage overnight or park them in well-lit areas.

Anyone with information about catalytic converter thefts should contact DS Matt Swash on 101 or Crimestoppers, anonymously, on 0800 555111.

Take a trip back in time

FAMILIES are invited to enjoy some 17th century fun at Ely's Oliver Cromwell House.

The attraction, in St Mary's Street, is holding a special Meet the Cromwells event on Tuesday, April 3 and 10.

Visitors will be able to don costumes and throw themselves back into the past, discovering what medicines were used in that period and learning how Civil War soldiers were treated on the battlefield. The sessions will run from 10am to 12pm on both days. Call (01353) 662062 for more information.

Fen to stage Easter fun

A WHOLE of Easter-themed activities are being held at Wicken Fen.

Families are invited to enjoy pond dipping, bug hunts, Easter egg trails and arts and crafts sessions.

On certain days, there will also be 'wild boutique', 'Wicken warriors' and 'myths and magic' activities. Booking is essential for all activities. For more information, call the reserve on (01353) 720274.

Crew tackles blazing shed

A SHED fire in Littleport sparked a call-out for firefighters.

The blaze happened in Plains Lane at around 6.20pm on Thursday, March 22.

One hose reel was used to extinguish the flames, which started accidentally.



Joint effort: With Robert Barnes, left to right, is Marion Hannatt, store manager Chris Wright and deputy store manager Charlie Loyal.

Store backs hospice funds bid

A FOOD store is throwing its weight behind a fundraising campaign to raise money for the Arthur Rank Hospice Charity.

Staff at the Anglia Regional Co-operative store in Wisbech Road, Littleport, have chosen the Lisa Barnes Memorial Fund as their dedicated charity of the year.

Over the next 12 months, the store will organise and host a variety of fundraising stunts to support the campaign.

Lisa, from Ely, died four days short of her 58th birthday in September 2010 after a two-year battle with cancer.

Her final days were spent

at the Arthur Rank Hospice, and in her memory, her husband Robert Barnes has pledged to raise £100,000 for it. To date, he has raised around £42,000.

Mr Barnes said: "The Co-op's support for the next year will be a great boost and I know they will do all they can to help the fund along."

Action call on street drinkers

POLICE are to strengthen their efforts to tackle anti-social behaviour in the grounds of Ely Cathedral.

Frustrated residents say the activities of gangs of drinkers are getting worse in the Cathedral Green, Cross Green and Palace Green areas.

In 2010, orders limiting alcohol use were imposed in the cathedral grounds in a bid to stop drinkers causing a nuisance.

But Ely people say that the groups are continuing to intimidate locals and visitors to the city. Now they are demanding a greater police presence and stricter action.

Dorothy Matthewson, of Back Hill, Ely, said: "I used to walk around Palace Green regularly but now I completely avoid the area, and I know I'm not the only one."

"Whatever the time of day there are always large groups of people sitting on the benches and on the grass, often with dogs, and with cans and bottles in their hands. They are loud, they are often abusive and they are intimidating."

"Our cathedral is what makes Ely and attracts thousands of visitors every year. If police and other agencies don't sort this soon then I honestly think people will soon stop coming."

Another resident, who did not want to

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be named, said: "We need a greater police presence in the cathedral grounds - that's the only way it's going to stop."

"There might be signs up alerting people about the special orders but that isn't stopping these people from ruining things for those who want to enjoy the cathedral."

The orders do not prevent sociable drinking, such as at public events or picnics, but people drinking alcohol and causing public disorder are subject to punishment.

A spokesman for Cambridgeshire Police said: "We'll be redoubling our efforts to engage with both cathedral management and with local residents to let them know what we're doing and how to report anti-social behaviour to us."

"There is a designated public places order covering the area which gives us the power to challenge anyone acting in an anti-social manner and drinking alcohol."

"We can confiscate their alcohol and arrest them if they refuse to hand the alcohol over. Anyone who acts in an anti-social manner or is intimidating will be challenged."

Planning applications

East Cambridgeshire District Council

■ A home could be built in Cambridge Road, Ely. John Webster, who lives in the street, has applied for planning permission to build the property and garage beside his home. A decision could be made within eight weeks.

■ A new holiday letting could soon be on its way. Mr M Haslop, of Hillrow, Haddenham, wants to turn a redundant barn at his home into a holiday rental. A decision could be made within two months.

■ A bungalow could be built

on land in Soham. Mr and Mrs K Clark, of Mereside, have applied for planning permission to build a bungalow on land adjacent to their property. A decision could be made within eight weeks.

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Let bygones be at event

THE countdown to Little Downham's annual Bygones and Organ Extravaganza is now on.

Enthusiasts will descend on the village hall for the Saturday's event, which will raise money for emergency medical charity Magpas.

Visitors can view mechanical organs of all shapes and sizes, as well as vintage tractors, cars, motorcycles and steam models.

The event will run from 1-5pm. Entry is £2.50 or £2 for concessions. For more information, call (01353) 699706.

Home plan submitted

A NEW property could be built beside a village church.

East Cambridgeshire District Council has received a planning application for a detached dwelling and garage on land west of Holy Trinity Church in Church Lane, Haddenham. Proposals include building access off Church Lane and realigning a boundary wall. The applicant is David Massot.

For a say visit www.eastcamps.gov.uk.

New bid to save community bus

BY JORDAN DAY

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DISCUSSIONS are underway to try and safeguard the future of a vital community bus service.

Just weeks after Tories at East Cambridgeshire District Council pulled the plug on funding for Ely Soham Dial-a-Ride, Conservative leader, Peter Moakes, and deputy leader, James Palmer, have met with bosses at the charity.

Cllr Moakes said he does not want to "see Dial-a-Ride suffer" and he is hopeful they will "work something out".

Earlier this month, Conservatives voted to axe the charity's annual grant of £16,800 for 2012/13 – despite pleas from Lib Dems who wanted the council to hand out £10,000 from the council's 'surplus savings reserve'.

Last year, the district council also scrapped the grant but the county council came forward



'HOPEFUL': Cllr Moakes

with £12,000 worth of funding enabling Dial-a-Ride to continue with its services.

However Fred Langford, the charity's general manager, said the county council had already confirmed it could not afford to do the same this year.

Mr Langford feared the cuts would leave elderly, frail, disabled and vulnerable residents across the Ely area isolated.

But Cllr Moakes said: "We are now in talks with Mr Langford and have had meetings with him."

"Nobody wants to see Dial-a-Ride suffer. They do an incredibly good job in the area and we want to build up a relationship

with them.

"We do not know exactly what we can do to help them at the moment but we are hopeful we can work something out so they do not have to make any cuts to services."

Cllr Ian Allen, leader of East Cambridgeshire's Lib Dems said he would support any help Dial-a-Ride could be given.

He said: "The Lib Dems have voiced their support for the charity loud and clear and we would throw our weight behind any support they can be given. It's just a shame the Conservatives have decided to support Dial-a-Ride at the last minute."

"They need all the help they can get. Without Dial-a-Ride, hundreds of vulnerable people would be housebound."

Mr Langford confirmed a meeting was held with Cllr Moakes and Cllr Palmer and said he was "hopeful the future looked bright".

He added: "We are grateful the council is now showing us more support."

Businesses unite to promote success

BUSINESSES will come together to promote themselves at a business showcase day in Ely.

The event is being held on the Market Place from 10am-2pm on Wednesday, April 4.

Ely Chamber of Commerce, East Cambridgeshire District Council and East Cambridgeshire

District Council have joined forces to organise the event.

A commerce spokeswoman said: "There are many secret successes squirreled away in Ely's side streets and we're bringing them to the forefront with our Ely Showcase Day."

"Businesses will be

taking over the Market Place for a day to raise awareness of their products and services and to widen their customer base by attracting new customers and reaching new markets."

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Curing fear that has dogged life

BY JORDAN DAY

Email: editorial@elyweeklynews.co.uk

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Her mum, Karen, said: "Jessica was absolutely terrified of dogs, even puppies. We don't know where that came from as she'd never had a bad experience with a dog."

"She'd shout, she'd cry, she'd shake and more worryingly, she'd try to run. She'd bolt into roads without looking. Her fear was getting worse and we knew we needed help."

Karen and her husband, Gary, who live with their three children in Waterbeach, went to a doctor for advice and were referred to the Brookside Family Consultation Clinic in Cambridge. They advised the family to contact Chris Kent and her husband, Kevin Willats, who run the K9 Project, in East Cambridgeshire.

For six weeks, the couple and their army of rescue pooches, have worked with Jessica to conquer her fear.

Karen, a part-time playgroup worker, said: "Jessica's only had five sessions with Chris, Kevin and the dogs but I'd say she's pretty much cured. It's a miracle. We cannot express enough how grateful we are to the K9 Project. They have not only helped Jessica but our whole family."



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Holly's dad to run marathon in her memory



TRIBUTE: Kevin Wells and Rob Wright. Inset: Holly and Jessica.

THE father of murdered school-girl Holly Wells will run the London Marathon in tribute to his daughter, and to raise money for a charity helping grief-stricken families.

Kevin Wells will team up with friend Rob Wright to battle round the capital on April 22.

Holly, who would have been 21 this year, and friend Jessica Chapman were killed by school caretaker Ian Huntley. The 10-year-olds, both wearing Manchester United shirts, vanished after leaving a family barbecue at the Wells house in Soham, in August 2002.

In 2003, Huntley was jailed for life. Towards the end of the trial Mr Wells and wife Nicola became aware of a charity called Grief Encounter, being set up with the aim of supporting families whose loved ones had died, especially young people who had lost a sibling.

Mr Wells, 48, who runs a window cleaning business, agreed to become founding patron.

He said: "We have met some extraordinary people through Grief Encounter. There are awful cases the counsellors have worked with, heart-rending stuff, and the charity's services are oversubscribed. I want to do more to help.

"Not only is this year the 10th anniversary of Holly, it's also Olympic year, and I realised it was a great opportunity to trumpet the charity, and do something positive to mark the anniversary."

The Wells family home is named Holly House. In the lounge is the photo of Holly and Jessica in football strips that became famous worldwide.

Mr Wells said: "I don't want to talk about what it has been like the past 10 years, not now. I want to keep things focused on the run and the charity."

Father-of-two Mr Wright, 38, a heating engineer from Dullingham, said: "I've not done a marathon before, but it's such a good cause."

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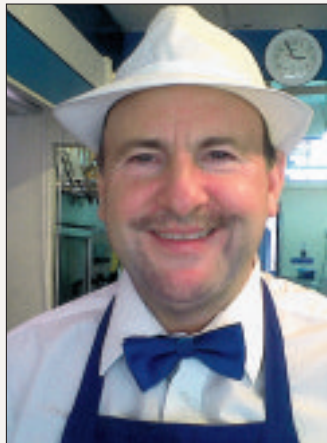
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Two minutes with...

Adrian Cornwell

Local butcher Adrian 'George' Cornwell, 49, of Bent and Cornwell in Market Place, was born in Ely and lives in Stretham



When are you happiest? Around family and friends.

How do you relax? Dog walking, ferreting and fishing.

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Guilty pleasure: Take-away and a few beers.

Favourite book/movie: *The Man Who Broke Into Auschwitz* and *Crocodile Dundee*.

Favourite holiday destination: Kefalonia.

Your hero: Leeds United team in the 1970s.

Four people you'd invite to dinner: Bob Marley, Don Revie, Simon Cowell and Jason Statham (for the wife).

What would your super-power be? To control the weather.

What three possessions would you take with you to a desert island? iPod, razor, fishing tackle.

If you ruled the country for a day what would you do? Bring our soldiers back home.

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Who would you like to spend Two Minutes With? Let us know and we'll put the questions to them. Email editorial@elyweeklynews.co.uk

Ely

POSTAL STORY: The Isle of Ely Philatelic Society is holding its next meeting tonight. Mr Burr will be showing 'Ely GB Postal History and Stamps' at the event at Ely College. It starts at 7.30pm and both members and non-members are welcome. Call (01354) 659358 for details.

GARDEN FUNDS: The Friends of Ely's Jubilee Gardens raised more than £200 at their party this month.

Ely's 'Gingerbread Lady' whipped up a variety of cupcakes and Easter treats at the event. The money raised will be spent on the upkeep of the gardens.

SHORTLISTED: A firm which specialises in finding jobs for UK Armed Forces personnel has been shortlisted for a prestigious award.

Forces Recruitment Services (FRS), based in Ely, is in the running to scoop the Best Candidate Experience award at the annual Recruitment Services Awards.

FRS managing director, Graham Brown, said: "This is particularly special because we have been shortlisted by our industry peers. It's down to the hard work of our team." The awards ceremony is being held in London on May 2.

EASTER FUN: Families are invited to get crafty at Ely Museum on Thursday, April 5. An Easter crafts event is being held, as well as Easter trails around the museum.

The activities, which are suitable for children aged 5 to 11, run from 11am-12.30pm and cost £2.50 per child.

Call (01353) 666655 for more information.

CRAFT FAIR: Everything from stained glass to handmade cards will be on sale in Ely on Saturday.

A bumper Easter craft fair is being held at the cathedral centre, on Palace Green, from 10am-3pm.

There will be more than 30 stalls selling original prints, handmade bath products, stained glass, knitted goods, handmade toys, gifts, cards, jewellery, artwork and more. Admission is 50p for adults and free for under 16s. For more information, call (01353) 659668.

SALE DAY: Enjoy Easter activities at the Larkfields Centre in Ely on Sunday.

A bumper Easter fair and table top sale is being held there from 2pm to 4pm.

The centre, Earth, New Connexions free church and The Barns Community Voice have organised the event to raise money for a Queen's Diamond Jubilee celebratory



Message for girls at pamper workshop

BODY art, massages and mini makeovers helped to boost girls' confidence at a special pamper workshop.

Around 60 girls aged 11 to 17 descended on the Lighthouse Centre in Ely for the event, called 'Shine'.

Organised by the Countess Free Church and

the Lighthouse Centre, the motto for the day was 'Dream, believe, achieve'.

It was the second year the event was held in a bid to boost girls' confidence and self-belief.

Rachael Heffer, one of the organisers, said: "The girls had a fantastic day.

"We had a super turnout and they enjoyed lots of different activities, including body art, make-up sessions, a nail bar and massages.

"There was a strong Christian message to the day and that is to teach the girls that they all have unique qualities that they

should embrace.

"It's all about making girls believe in themselves and making them realise they can live out their dreams."

For more information, search for 'Shine Ely' on Facebook.

event which will be held in High Barns on June 3.

There will be a variety of activities at the fair, including Easter crafts for all ages, cake stalls, children's games and the sale for bargain lovers.

For more information or to book a table, call John on (01353) 667969.

BINGO NIGHT: An Easter egg bingo night is being held at Highfield special school in Downham Road, Ely, on Saturday.

Families are invited to the event, which kicks off at 7.30pm. Refreshments will be served and there will be a raffle.

Tickets are available on the door. All funds raised will go towards enhancing the school's sensory environment and providing additional educational resources.

TIDY TEAMWORK: Help tidy up Ely's green areas by joining in with a litter pick. Ely Wildspace members will be out in force collecting litter and generally tidying the area on Saturday.

Anyone who wants to help should meet at the top of Kiln Lane at 2pm.

Equipment will be provided and there will be homemade cakes served at Ely Sailing Club afterwards.

TALK ON CROMWELL: 'Cromwell and Huntingdonshire' is the title of the Friends of Ely Museum's next talk.

Bob Burn-Murdoch, curator of the Norris Museum in St Ives, will host the talk at Ely Museum next Thursday.

It starts at 7.30pm and both members and non-members are welcome. Entry is £1.50 for members and £2 for non-members.

Littleport

FUNDRAISER FOR SCHOOL: A race night has raised around £650 for Littleport Community Primary School.

The school's PTFA held the event earlier this month, which included horse racing, novelty Zhu Zhu pet races and a sausage and chip supper.

The money raised will be spent on new classroom equipment and reading books. More family nights are being planned by the PTFA.

MEET PEPPA PIG: Peppa Pig will be making an appearance at a nearly new sale in Littleport.

The much-loved cartoon character will be at the event at the village hall, in Victoria Street, on Saturday.

The sale will run from 10am until noon, plus a free Easter children's colouring competition and homemade cakes.

Entry is 50p for adults and free for children. All funds raised will go to Stepping Stones Pre-school. Call Joanne Coe on 07988 477255 for more details.

Sutton

SPRING FETE: Paintbox Pre-school and After School Club in Sutton is holding a spring fete on Saturday.

It will be held at the village's Growing Places Children's Centre from 11am until 2pm.

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It's a wrap for pub chef Piers

CHEF Piers Gentry may look like he's been mummified – but he's actually undergoing one of the latest crazes to hit the beauty and weight loss market.

Holistic Fields Complementary Therapy Centre in Ely has started to offer universal contour body wraps and is one of only three places in Cambridgeshire currently allowed to perform the procedure.

The treatment sees people being wrapped up tightly in clay bandages in a bid to lose inches from their bodies.

The wrap guarantees a loss of at least 6 inches, which experts say is guaranteed to stay off for at least 30 days.

Mr Gentry, 32, a chef at The Red Lion pub in Stretham, was one of the first clients to give the treatment a go and lost an impressive 15.1 inches from his waist, abdomen, hips and thighs.

Jo Chapman, owner of Holistic Fields, based in Ely's High Street Passage, said: "The contour wrap guarantees a loss of at least 6 inches and that is guaranteed to stay off for at least 30 days."

"We're so confident that if that does not happen then we'll give that person a free wrap as soon as the 30 days are up."



Thinning out: Holistic Fields owner Jo Chapman wraps Piers Gentry in clay bandages.

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"It's also perfect for people getting married, going on holiday or who have a party and who just want to feel slimmer for the occasion."

For more information about the contour wraps, visit the centre in Ely or go to www.universalcontourwrap.com.

Glass attack man starts prison term

A CARPENTER who glassed a man celebrating his birthday has been jailed for 10 months.

Jamie Leonard glassed the man in the face in the Red Lion pub, Soham, after the victim blew smoke in his face, ruffled his hair and slapped him, Cambridge Crown Court heard.

Leonard, of Meadow Close, Ely, pleaded guilty to grievous bodily harm and was sentenced at court on March 22.

Robin Miric, prosecuting, said victim Samuel French was known to Leonard, 25, and the two "did not entirely get along".

The court heard how Leonard accidentally knocked Mr French's drink over and offered to buy him

BY LEANNE EHREN

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another. Later that evening, on September 20 last year, Mr French blew smoke in Leonard's face, was "winding him up" and there was "unwelcome contact", it was said.

Mr Miric said: "He [Leonard] pushed a pint glass into Mr French's face which hit him in the chin, nose and other areas."

He suffered 25 stitches in nine different areas of his face, which led to minor scarring.

In mitigation, Charles Myatt said father-of-one Leonard already had the glass in his hand when he punched the victim and did not specifically pick it up to use as a weapon.

He said: "He was in the pub

drinking. The action of assault was spur of the moment and a reaction to the circumstances. Mr French provoked this assault."

Mr Myatt said Leonard, who is a self-employed carpenter, had experienced an "unfortunate coming together of events in his personal life of significant emotional trouble".

He said Leonard went to the pub to get out of the house in a bid to "stave off the troubles in his life" but since the assault has not been drinking and has taken all steps necessary to remove himself from that environment.

Mr Myatt added: "He is not a bad young man, who works hard and has the offer of full-time employment. It was a momentary loss of self control on this night."

Pre-school applicants set for take-over talks

ORGANISATIONS seeking to take over the running of a pre-school in Ely will be interviewed at the end of this month.

Sanctuary Housing has confirmed its bosses and education chiefs at Cambridgeshire County Council will talk to those

who have applied to take over the operation of Barney Bears Pre-school in High Barns.

Social housing provider Sanctuary Housing currently runs the pre-school, High Barns After School Club and parent and toddler groups at The

Barns Community Rooms but announced last year that the facilities will stop on March 30 due to economic and business reasons.

Parents of more than 100 children who using the facilities are waiting to hear what will happen

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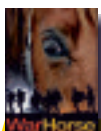
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THERE will be Easter activities galore for youngsters at Ely Cathedral.

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Author guest at meeting

ELY author Midge Gillies will be guest speaker at Prickwillow Women's Institute's next meeting. She will be talking to members about her latest book, *The Barbed Wire University* on Monday, April 2 at 7.15pm.

The event will be held at the village hall.

Dancers raise church cash

SOHAM Methodist Church is more than £100 better off thanks to a tea dance.

The event was held at the church earlier this month and raised £141.50.

Ex-soldiers in canoe quest

TWO ex-Army officers are taking on one of the world's most challenging canoe races to support a major charity.

Childhood friends Andy Brear and Robin Laird, both from Ely, are taking part in the Devizes to Westminster International Canoe Marathon to raise money for Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Families Association (SSAFA) Forces Help.

The charity supports current and former servicemen and women, and their families.

The challenge will see father-of-two Mr Brear, 52, and Mr Laird, 49, who both attended the King's School Ely, canoeing 125-miles over the Easter weekend.

Mr Brear was an officer in the Yorkshire Regiment for 11 years and Mr Laird was an officer in the Royal Hampshire Regiment for eight.

Mr Brear, who now works as a consultant in the security industry, said: "Robin is a keen canoeist



Boating buddies: Andy Brear, left, and Robin Laird.

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but for me, I am returning to my youth. Up until we started training I hadn't been in a canoe since we were at King's.

"We're both feeling reasonably confident. Training is going well and, touch wood, we will survive it."

Mr Laird is a senior officer for Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary.

Mr Brear said: "We have both seen for ourselves what our servicemen and women do and we have both seen the amazing work that SSAFA does."

"SSAFA was an omnipresent force for good, wherever we were posted. They do so much for our servicemen and their families, quietly and effectively, and we want to raise as much money for them as possible."

The duo will start the challenge on Good Friday and they hope to finish by Westminster Bridge on Easter Sunday. To sponsor them, visit www.justgiving.com/Robin-and-Andy-DW.

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The initiative was part of a campaign across Europe.

Officers also seized six vehicles, issued eight fines for mobile phone offences, three for no insurance, four for number plate offences, three for not having a valid MoT and two for no tax.

Casualty reduction officer PC Steve Gedny said: "It is shocking to see so many drivers in Cambridgeshire are still putting their lives and others at risk by refusing to wear a seatbelt."

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All lighting at Littleport Leisure Centre, including the floodlights, have been made more energy efficient by Brighter Green.

The centre was granted an interest free loan of just over £29,000 for Brighter Green to make the changes.

It is hoped the centre's energy output will decrease by around 70 per cent – the equivalent of around 120 kilowatts per year.

A spokesman for the centre said: "The centre is now a low carbon business with reduced energy costs, increased revenue growth and a more sustainable future thanks to the Carbon Trust who have advised us and supported us through this process."

Landlord is under fire over damp-hit house

A FRUSTRATED dad claims he and his teenage children are being made ill by the "dreadful" damp and mould in their home.

Roland Clack, 46, has lived at his Sanctuary Housing-owned house in Littleport for 15 years.

But he says in the last 18 months he and his children, Laura, 19, and 17-year-old Luke, have been experiencing issues with damp and mould in their home.

Mr Clack says surveyors visited their home last year and that in September, Sanctuary confirmed the property's roof needed replacing "urgently" as it was causing water to leak into some of the rooms. But six months on, no work has been carried out at the Hemphill Place property.

Sanctuary bosses insist that there is "no evidence of penetrating damp" at the home and that the property is not being ventilated and heated properly.

But Mr Clack, who works for Travis Perkins, disagrees and is demanding that his roof is replaced.

He said: "Our house is well ventilated and heated properly. The window vents are always open and the windows are opened whenever they

BY JORDAN DAY

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can be. Obviously they can't be open all the time for security reasons.

"In September, Sanctuary said that my roof needed urgently replacing as water was leaking in whenever it rained. If no work has been carried out, how can it all suddenly be fine?"

"The damp and mould is affecting my son's bedroom and my daughter's bedroom. We have all had bad chesty coughs recently and my daughter is having breathing difficulties.

"I am confident that the mould is causing it. No matter how much we clean it or ventilate the house, it just comes back. It's dreadful."

A spokesman for Sanctuary confirmed that independent surveyors visited the family home after Mr Clack contacted them.

But he said: "They found no evidence of penetrating damp and assessed the mould was due to condensation rather a defect with the property.

"We have advised Mr Clack on how to better ventilate and heat his home to prevent this from happening in the future."



Damp: Roland Clack shows off the mould above a window at his home in Hemphill Place.

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Group sets date for history talk

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Election due at yearly meeting

ST Andrew's Church in Witchford is holding its annual meeting tonight. It will be held at St Andrew's Hall at 7.30pm and churchwardens will be elected.

Sale boosts school funds

A PRE-school is around £200 better off, thanks to a nearly new sale.

Busy Fingers Pre-school in Little Downham held the event at the village hall earlier this month.

All funds raised will help to buy toys and learning equipment for the children.

Floral skills to go on show

DASH of Lime is the title of the City of Ely Flower Club's next demonstration.

Leslie Beeton will host the event at Ely College tonight.

It starts at 7.15pm and entry is £5 for non-members.

Call Margaret on (01353) 610436 for more information.

Butchers make grade

AN uncle and nephew have proved they know what they're doing when it comes to butchery.

Trainee butchers Ashley Robins and his nephew Liam Robins, both aged 19, have qualified for their butchery NVQs at level two.

They have been working towards the award for the past 18 months and both scooped distinctions in many of the

units they had to complete.

The duo work at Bent and Cornwell Butchers in Ely's Market Place.

David Bent said: "Both Ashley and Liam have worked very hard to achieve these qualifications.

"Liam has also been chosen as the apprentice of the month by Meat Ipswich, who run the scheme for us."



Chop, chop: Trainee butchers Ashley Robins, left, and Liam Robins have achieved their NVQs.

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Charity racing night

A RACE night is being held in Soham tomorrow to raise money for the town's new guide and scout centre and the National Autistic Society.

The free event will take place at the Soham Comrades Club and the first race is at 8pm.

There will be nine races in total, with the last seeing

each 'horse' auctioned off to the highest bidder.

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Rattigan's Brown study

SARA Crowe and James Wilby star in Terence Rattigan's rediscovered gem, *Less Than Kind* – a play about family relationships which sparkles with classic Rattigan wit and wisdom.

The play was revived last year as part of Rattigan's centenary celebrations, enjoying a successful run at the Jermyn Street Theatre in London.

The original 1944 play was extensively rewritten for Alfred Lunt and Lynn Fontanne with the title *Love in Idleness* and *O Mistress Mine* in the US. Since its rediscovery it has been published in a new Rattigan collection by Nick Hem.

The play follows the Brown family, delving into the complex relationships between mothers and sons and the effects of time and change.

Michael Brown has just returned from five years' evacuation in Canada: an idealistic socialist, he is horrified to discover that his widowed mother, Olivia, is now living with Sir John Fletcher, married Tory MP and industrialist. The action centres on Olivia's anguish as she is torn between her love for her son and for her new flame.

Rattigan wrote 25 stage plays, plus numerous one-act plays, radio, television and film scripts which are still performed extensively worldwide. These include *The Browning Version*, *The Winslow Boy* (both of which played to great acclaim in Cambridge in 2009) and *Separate Tables*. His films also included *The Prince and the Showgirl*, which was the picture Lawrence Olivier attempted to shoot with Marilyn Monroe, as seen in the recent film, *My Week with Marilyn*.

The cast of *Less Than Kind* includes

James Wilby (Sir John Fletcher), Sara Crowe (Olivia Brown), Caroline Head (Diana Fletcher), David Osmond (Michael Brown), Katie Evans (Polton) and Michelle Morris (Miss Dell).

James Wilby's most recent credits include *Gosford Park* and will be seen in the upcoming ITV series *Titanic* this April.

Award-winning actress Sara Crowe's most recent stage role was Lady Frugal in *City Madam* at the RSC. West End roles include *Calendar Girls* and *Bedroom Farce*. Most noted for her role in the Richard Curtis classic *Four Weddings and A Funeral* she has also worked extensively in television including shows with Jo Brand, Harry Enfield and Rory Bremner.

David Osmond was in *The History Boys* at the National Theatre and the tour of *Lark Rise To Candleford* with Sara Crowe.

■ ***Less Than Kind*, Cambridge Arts Theatre, until Saturday at 7.45pm. Tickets are from £15. Contact (01223) 503333 / www.cambridgeartstheatre.com.**



FAMILY AFFAIR: James Wilby and Sara Crowe star in *Less Than Kind*, at the Cambridge Arts Theatre. Inset left, David Osmond with Caroline Head.

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ON SONG: *Anything Goes*, at The Junction tonight.

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■ *Anything Goes*, The Junction, until today, 7pm. Tickets are £10 (£5 concessions) from (01223) 511511 / www.junction.co.uk.

Jessie joins the race

A tale of the unexpected



POP superstar Jessie J, who has just signed up as a judge for new rival X Factor-style talent show *The Voice*, is the latest act to be announced for Newmarket Nights this summer.

It will be the Brit Award winner's only East Anglia concert of 2012, and will see the singer-songwriter perform chart-topping hits including *Price Tag*. Do it Like a Dude and *Domino*.

Adrian Simpson, sales and marketing director at Newmarket Racecourses, says: "Jessie J is without doubt one of the most

unique and talented artists of the moment. She has an incredible voice and her appearance at Newmarket Racecourses will be nothing less than explosive. She's an absolute credit to our existing line-up of Madness, Tom Jones and Frankie Valli."

This is the first time Jessie J has performed at Newmarket

Racecourses and tickets are expected to sell fast. She performs on August 17 and tickets start from £21 for adults (£12 under 16s).

To book tickets or for more information visit www.newmarketracecourses.co.uk or call (01638) 675500. Advanced booking is essential.

IF exciting, contemporary theatre is your bag, Conor McPherson's play *The Weir* could be worth scheduling into your diary.

Set in a small bar in an isolated Irish backwater, near Sligo, the publican and his two regulars await the arrival of Finbar, local-boy-made-good, who is bringing with him an attractive young woman, Valerie, who has moved into the area.

When they arrive, the men exchange peacock banter and are encouraged to relate increasingly alarming stories that have inexplicable and ghostly elements.

When Valerie tells her own story the men are shocked to silence. But there is still one more story to be told...

The Weir won the Laurence Olivier Award for Best New Play in 1998 and was voted one of the 100 most significant plays of the 20th century in a poll conducted by the Royal National Theatre, London, tying 40th place with Eugene O'Neill's *The Iceman Cometh*, Samuel Beckett's *Endgame* and Arthur Miller's *A View From The Bridge*.

The dialogue is typically Irish with its Gaelic cadence: at one moment comic, the next poignant.

The spellbinding storytelling is sure to hold audiences in its thrall as it moves from whimsy to tragedy and builds to unexpected climaxes.

Critics have called it "beautifully devious", "gentle, soft-spoken, delicately crafted work" and "a modern masterpiece".

The Weir is presented by the Combined Actors of Cambridge and contains strong language.

■ *The Weir*, ADC Theatre, until Saturday at 7.45pm. Tickets are £10 (concessions £8). Contact www.adctheatre.com / (01223) 300085.

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Alvin And The Chipmunks - Chipwrecked (U): Sat-Thu 10am
Pirates! In an adventure with scientists 3D (U): Fri 10.30am, 12.30, 3; Sat-Thu 10.10am, 12.30, 3
Pirates! In an adventure with scientists 2D (U) (1h50) (NFT): Fri 11.20am, 1.30, 3.40, 5.50, 8; Sat-Thu 9.10am, 11.20am, 1.30, 3.40, 5.50, 8
Wrath Of The Titans 3D (12A): Fri-Sat 10.30am, 1.30, 3.40, 6.30, 10, 11; Sun-Tues 10.30am, 1.30, 3.40, 6.30, 10; Wed 10.30am, 1.30, 3.40, 6.30, 10, 11; Thu 10.30am, 1.30, 3.40, 6.30, 10
Wrath Of The Titans 2D (12A): Fri-Sat 7, 9.30, 11.55; Sun-Tues 7, 9.30; Wed 7, 9.30, 11.55; Thu 7, 9.30
Streetdance 2 2D (PG): Fri-Thu 5.30, 7.50
Streetdance 2 2D (PG): Fri 12.10, 2.20, 4.30; Sat-Thu 10am, 12.10, 2.20, 4.30
Mirror Mirror (PG): Mon-Thurs 12noon, 2.30, 5.05, 7.35
The Hunger Games (12A): Fri-Sat 10.40am, 12.10, 1.40, 3.25, 4.50, 6.35, 8.10, 9.40, 11.10; Sun-Mon 10.40am, 12.20, 1.40, 3.25, 4.50, 6.35, 8.10, 9.40; Tues 10.40am, 12.20, 1.40, 3.25, 4.50, 8.10, 9.10; Wed 10.40am, 12.20, 1.40, 3.25, 4.50, 6.35, 8.10, 9.40,

11.10; Thu 10.40am, 12.20, 1.40, 3.25, 4.50, 6.35, 8.10, 9.40
21 Jump Street (15): Fri-Sat 3.10, 5.40, 8.15 10.50; Sun-Tues 3.10, 5.40, 8.15 (subtitles Tues), Wed 3.10, 5.40, 8.15, 10.50; Thu 3.10, 5.40, 8.15
The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel (12A): 12noon, 2.50, 5.35, 8.20; Sat-Sun 9.20am, 12noon, 2.50, 5.35, 8.20; Mon-Thu 9.20am, 12.25
The Devil Inside (15): Fri-Sat 11.15; Mon-Thu 10.05
We Bought A Zoo (PG): Fri 12.25; Sat-Sun 9.40am, 12.25 (subtitles Sun); Mon-Thu 9.40am
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The big film

THE PIRATES! IN AN ADVENTURE WITH SCIENTISTS (3D) certificate U, 1hr 28m

AARDMAN Animations' latest offering showcases the extraordinary craftsmanship of director Peter Lord and his team. Their artistry is astonishing and backgrounds are crammed with detail and sly visual gags. It's the mid 19th Century and Queen Victoria (voiced by Imelda Staunton) has declared war on all pirates who dare to sail around Britain's waters. The Pirate Captain (Hugh Grant) is the leader of a ragtag group of seadogs but his enthusiasm far exceeds his questionable ability to plunder booty. His subordinates include Pirate with Scarf (Martin Freeman), Pirate with Gout (Brendan Gleeson), Albino Pirate (Russell Tovey) and Surprisingly Curvaceous Pirate (Ashley Jensen), whose glaringly obvious gender is concealed behind a false beard. Consequently, The Pirate Captain and his crew are a laughing stock,



derided by rivals such as Black Bellamy (Jeremy Piven), Cutlass Liz (Salma Hayek) and Peg Leg Hastings (Lenny Henry). To prove them, The Pirate Captain sets out to capture a Bank of England treasure ship but inadvertently storms The Beagle and captures a young Charles Darwin (David Tennant) and his primate manservant, Mister Bobo. The scientist leads the pirates on a merry dance that might just end with the beleaguered Captain taking home the coveted Pirate Of The Year prize. But first they must venture to the capital without being spotted by the Queen. The film draws on Aardman's

trademark visual style and playful sense of humour, while the script is peppered with some wry one-liners. Grant is a snug fit for the misguided Captain and supporting cast have fun with their slender roles, including Brian Blessed in suitably bombastic form as the Pirate King. The script, adapted by Gideon Defoe from his book, walks the gang plank of belly laughs and gentle emotion although none of the characters threaten to usurp Wallace and his resourceful pooch in our affections because, for all its dazzling qualities, there's no escaping a feeling that this madcap voyage falls short of the brilliance of Aardman's earlier works.

The Hunger Games (12A): Fri-Sat 10.30am, 11.30am, 1.35, 2.30, 4.25, 5.30, 7.30, 8.30, 10.30; Sun 10.30am, 11.30am, 1.35, 2.30, 4.25, 5.30, 7.30, 8.30; Mon-Thu 11.30am, 2.30, 4.25, 5.30, 7.30, 8.30
The Devil Inside (15): Fri-Sat 11 Contraband (15): Fri-Sat 10.40

21 Jump Street (15): Fri-Sun 12.10, 5.40, 9; Mon 12.10, 9; Tues-Thu 12.10, 5.40, 9
The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel (12A): Fri-Sun 3, 8; Mon 3, 8.45; Tues-Thu 3, 8 movies for juniors
Puss In Boots (U): Sat 10.10am
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The Adventures Of Tintin: The Secret Of The Unicorn (PG): Sat 10.20am

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The Muppets (U) - includes short PIXAR animated film TOY STORY TOONS: SMALL FRY: Sat-Thu 11.30am
Movies for juniors
Puss In Boots (U): Sat 10am
The Adventures Of Tintin: The Secret Of The Unicorn (PG): Sat 10am
Happy Feet Two (U): Sat 10am
The Adventures Of Tintin: The Secret Of The Unicorn (PG): Sun 10am

Sudoku

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■ Last week's solution

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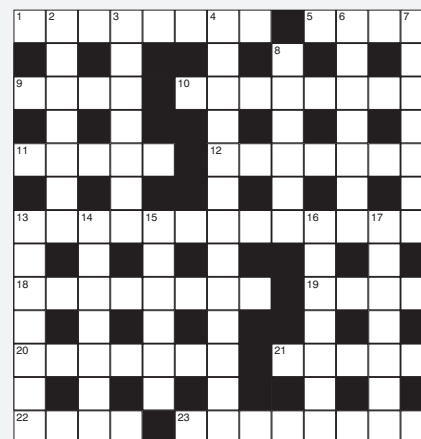
Cryptic clues

Across

1. Where lawyers drink? (2,3,3)
5. What is of least value in clouds, cumulus especially (4)
9. Low-sounding fish (4)
10. Attempt to get another court hearing? (3,5)
11. Blacksmith's equipment in a Roman villa (5)
12. To beg is thus lawful (7)
13. Possibly parcels enrich royal personage (6,7)
18. Saw return on defective flute as uneconomic (8)
19. Gave food to about 50 and ran away (4)
20. Concerning an inventory for a facer of facts (7)
21. Some other odd old king (5)
22. Proper expression of regard for indirect tax (4)
23. Correspondingly? (2,6)

Down

2. Coach for railway traveller? (7)
3. She's in a sort of sackcloth (7)



4. Not touching towns in a vexed state? (6,7)
6. Risk a pound in church (7)
7. Record of business covered in a very short time (7)
8. In the mail, had returned a flower (6)
13. Given energy from rope we'd broken (7)
14. Immediate brief period of time (7)
15. Parson breaks up circle (6)
16. Think carefully how to produce an image (7)
17. Looks on mineral as a hideosity (7)

Quick clues

Across

1. Trachea (8)
5. Page (4)
9. Overtake (4)
10. Agreement (8)
11. Call on (5)
12. Ape (7)
13. Faultiness (13)
18. Rite (8)
19. Module (4)
20. First (7)
21. Characteristic (5)
22. Always (4)
23. Monocle (8)

Down

2. Fancy (7)
3. Notwithstanding (7)
4. Temporarily (13)
6. Issue (7)
7. Obesity (7)
8. Endeavour (6)
13. Wane (7)
14. Stealthy (7)
15. Entrust (6)
16. Impartial (7)
17. Mood (7)

Last week's solution – Cryptic clues across: 1 Pickle; 4 Gambit; 9 Sensationally; 10 Averted; 11 Stern; 12 Scale; 14 Hardy; 18 Handy; 19 Intense; 21 Printing press; 22 Dogged; 23 Wrests. **Down:** 1 Postal; 2 Condescending; 3 Least; 5 Amnesia; 6 Ballet dancers; 7 Trying; 8 Hindi; 13 Layette; 15 Shaped; 16 Giant; 17 Senses; 20 Toper.

Quick clues across: 1 Evince; 4 Banned; 9 Indistinctive; 10 Respect; 11 Ethos; 12 Leash; 14 Stoop; 18 Ensur; 19 Reserve; 21 Ambidexterous; 22 Dreary; 23 Gladly. **Down:** 1 Emigre; 2 Indispensable; 3 Caste; 5 Ancient; 6 Neighbourhood; 7 Dressy; 8 Piste; 13 Slender; 15 Herald; 16 Proxy; 17 Jersey; 20 Smell.

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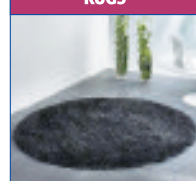
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It's a Chelsea first for Swift

FOR a man making his debut at the illustrious Chelsea Flower Show this year, TV gardener Joe Swift seems remarkably relaxed, even though advice is being thrown at him from all directions.

"Titchmarsh has been asking me for years when I was going to do a garden. Andy Sturgeon (a Chelsea gold medal winner and competitor at this year's event), who's a good friend of mine, has given me some good advice about the approach and organising yourself, how to deal with things on site and how to keep focused, because there are a lot of distractions."

He hasn't so far encountered any of the feuding which can come with such a competitive show.

Remember the bitter row a few years ago between Sturgeon and rival Diarmuid Gavin, who accused him of plagiarism? Or the time when Gavin fell out with *Gardeners' Question Time* panellist Bunny Guinness over the height of a wall?

Swift remains unperturbed, although he is aware of the high level of competition which will ensue as the event draws nearer.

"My landscaper said 'the closer you get to the show, the more competitive others become'. But everyone's been unbelievably



by Hannah Stephenson

supportive."

It has taken a year for his Homebase Teenage Cancer Trust garden to come to fruition. The inspiration for it comes from his vision of combining natural elements with city living.

"Living in a city, you notice beautiful natural materials and are physically drawn to them. I have boulders, a huge wooden frame and running water in the show garden.

"The idea is to connect the city and suburban dweller to those natural materials that might not be so prevalent in the city, where you get a lot of concrete and tarmac and other hard elements.

"It's incredibly relevant. City-cooling in the summer and creating more green space in the city is extremely important.

"In a city space you want to keep the focus within the garden because you don't have the rolling hills beyond to tie in the extended landscape.

"It's all about creating key views within a garden, and you can do that

in a small garden by placing key sculpture, plants and water here and there.

"People need to think big in a small space. Don't put loads of little things in a small garden. Put one or two big things in there to make a real impact."

Plants in his show garden will include trees such as stemmed Cornus Mas and Prunus 'Amber Beauty' alongside a London plane tree, all selected for their sculptural forms and the interesting colour and texture of their bark.

He wants the garden to be aspirational, but recognises that visitors may want to take some aspect of the garden home with them.

With this in mind, Homebase has launched The Chelsea Collection, a range of plants inspired by Swift's design.

"It's important to be able to take elements of Chelsea home with you but it is the catwalk of design. Very few people are going to create a garden that's on the level of Chelsea but I think there are loads of ideas for planting areas and ways of using sculpture and furniture that people should be inspired by."

Oranges, acid yellows, burgundies and rust-coloured flowers combine to create a warm colour palette in his garden.

Many are currently under glass and will be in and out of the greenhouse on a daily basis to

ensure they are perfect for May.

Iris, geums, potentillas, roses, libertia and grevilleas all feature, some of which can be easily grown in this country.

"There has to be an element of sustainability but some of these plants aren't hardy," he admits.

"But it is a climate change garden to a degree. Four cedarwood frames will be coming from Germany, while the stone, boulders, walling and gravel mulch are from Yorkshire and the perennials are British grown."

The RHS has extremely high criteria of entry, demanding details of design, landscaping, material sourcing and budget.

"It's interesting being on the other side of the ropes," he says.

"The scariest thing for me is getting my planting right. I feel quite confident about the garden design. There's a lot of hard structure and it's trying to counterbalance that with some really lovely, original planting."

He says he's not too worried about being awarded any medals.

"It's not like I've got two or three Chelsea golds in the past so there's not something to live up to. I just want to build a garden I'm happy with. A medal isn't the most important thing to me."

The RHS Chelsea Flower Show runs from May 22 to 26. For details, phone 0844 338 0338 or visit www.rhs.org.uk/chelsea



GOING FOR GOLD: Joe Swift so far hasn't had to deal with the feuding that can go on at Chelsea.

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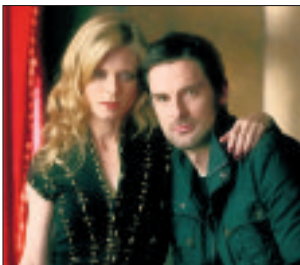
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6.00 Breakfast. 10.00 Saturday Kitchen Live. 11.30 The Little Paris Kitchen: Cooking with Rachel Khoo. 12.00 BBC News; Regional News; Weather. 12.15 Football Focus. 1.00 British Olympic Dreams. 1.30 Matthew Pinsent meets a Brazilian boxer who trains in the Rio de Janeiro slum where his father was killed. 2.00 Bargain Hunt. 3.00 Cash in the Attic. 3.45 You Are the Weakest Link – Goodbye. Last in the series. 4.30 Final Score. 5.10 BBC News; Regional News; Weather. 5.30 A Question of Sport. 6.00 Winter Wipeout Celebrity Special. Terry Christian, Sophie Anderton and Peter Shilton are among the famous faces tackling the assault course. 7.00 The Voice UK. 8.20 The National Lottery: In it to Win It. 9.10 Casualty. Jordan's date with Yvonne is put on hold when a former ED patient collapses in prison after being arrested for assaulting Lloyd. 10.00 BBC News; Weather. 10.20 Match of the Day. (C) National Lottery Update. 11.45 The Football League Show. Highlights and all the goals from today's fixtures. 1.05 Weatherview.	6.00 CBeebies: Harry and Toto. 6.10 Lunar Jim. 6.20 Raa Raa the Noisy Lion. 6.35 Chuggington. 6.45 Pinky Dinky Doo. 7.00 CBBC: Richard Hammond's Blast Lab. 7.30 Dennis and Gnasher. 7.40 The Scooby-Doo Show. 8.05 Pixelface. 8.35 Prank Patrol Down Under. 9.00 Ultimate Sports Day. 9.30 Ultimate Sports Day. 10.00 Animals at Work. 10.30 My Life: Bionic Me. 11.00 Hacker Time. 11.25 O'Glies. 11.40 MOTD Kickabout. 12.00 Coast. Locations around the British shoreline. 12.20 FILM: Becket (1964). Historical drama, starring Richard Burton 2.45 FILM: All for Love (1999). Romantic drama. 4.10 Flog It! 5.10 Match of the Day Live. Blackpool v Southampton (Kick-off 5.25pm). 7.30 Dad's Army. 8.00 How God Made the English. Diarmaid MacCulloch concludes his investigation into the nature of Englishness. 9.00 Have I Got Old News for You. 9.30 Arena: Jonathan Miller. Profile of the doctor and humorist. 11.00 The Zoo in Winter. Jonathan Miller visits ZSL London Zoo in Regent's Park during the off-season. 11.45 The Sarah Millican Television Programme. 12.15 FILM: The Salt Sea (2002). Crime thriller, starring Val Kilmer and Vincent D'Onofrio.	6.00 CITV: Mini CITV. 7.25 CITV. ITV News. 9.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show USA. 9.30 The Jeremy Kyle Show USA. 10.25 This Morning: Saturday. 11.25 Murder, She Wrote. 1.25 ITV News and Weather. 1.40 FILM: A Cinderella Story (2004). An unhappy teenager at the beck and call of a selfish stepmother and her nasty daughters finds hope through an online romance. Comedy, starring Hilary Duff. 3.35 FILM: Forever Young (1992). Romantic sci-fi drama. 5.25 Anglia News and Weather. 5.40 ITV News and Weather. 6.00 New You've Been Framed! 6.30 Best of Harry Hill's TV Burp. 7.00 All Star Family Fortunes. Vernon Kay welcomes comedian Ed Byrne and Downtown Abbey actress Lesley Nicol. 8.00 Britain's Got Talent. Ant and Dec present the second audition show. 9.05 Take Me Out. 10.20 ITV News and Weather. 10.35 FILM: Forgetting Sarah Marshall (2008). A musician is devastated when his actress girlfriend leaves him, and he tries to cure his broken heart with a holiday in Hawaii, where his ex turns out to be staying at the same resort, with her new boyfriend – a successful rock star – in tow. 12.30 The Zone; ITV News Headlines. 3.00 In Plain Sight.	6.00 The Treacle People. 6.10 The Hoobs. 6.35 The Hoobs. 7.00 The Grid. 7.25 FIM World Superbikes. 7.50 Channel 4 Presents – 2012: Jody Cundy – Part Two. 7.55 The Morning Line. Racing preview. 8.55 T4: Koko Pop. 9.25 The Wanted: Backstage in Brazil. 10.00 Charlie's Angels. 10.55 Come Dine with Me: Made in Chelsea Special. 11.55 The Big Bang Theory. 12.25 The Big Bang Theory. 12.55 The Simpsons. 1.25 The Simpsons. 1.55 Channel 4 Racing. Live coverage from Doncaster, Kempton Park and Meydan. 4.05 Channel 4 Presents – 2012: Ellie Simmonds – Part Two. How the Paralympic swimming gold medalist copes with pressure. 4.10 Come Dine with Me. From the West Country. Also 4.40, 5.15, and 5.45. 6.15 Channel 4 News. 6.45 4thought.tv. 6.50 FILM: Avatar (2009). A paraplegic marine is sent undercover in an alien tribe to spy for a corrupt mining executive. James Cameron's sci-fi adventure, with Sam Worthington and Zoe Saldana. 10.00 The Million Pound Drop Live. 11.35 FILM: Alfie (2004). Comedy-drama remake, starring Jude Law and Sienna Miller. 1.30 FILM: Last Days (2004).	6.00 Milkshake!: Peppa Pig. 6.05 Roary the Racing Car. 6.15 Fifi and the Flowerpots. 6.25 City of Friends. 6.40 Harry and His Bucket Full of Dinosaurs. 6.50 Igam Ogam. 7.00 Roobarb and Custard Too. 7.10 Bananas in Pyjamas. 7.20 Family! 7.30 Make Way for Noddy. 7.45 Bert and Ernie's Great Adventures. 7.55 Little Princess. 8.15 The Adventures of Bottle Top Bill and His Best Friend Corky. 8.30 Angelina Ballerina. 8.45 Rupert Bear. 9.00 Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom. 9.15 The Mr Men Show. 9.30 Roary the Racing Car. 9.40 Mist-Sheepdog Tales. 10.00 Animal Rescue Squad. 10.15 Holiday Heaven on Earth. 10.45 Mirror Mirror: Movie Special. 11.15 Police Interceptors. 12.15 WWI Top Gun: Revealed. 1.15 FILM: Battle of Britain (1969). 3.50 FILM: Operation: Daybreak (1975). Fact-based Second World War drama. 6.15 5 News Weekend. 6.20 NCIS. 7.10 NCIS. 8.00 NCIS. Part one of two. Ziva is forced to confront her past. 9.00 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation. 10.00 CSI: NY. The team investigates the apparent death of a cage fighter. 10.55 Law & Order: Special Victims Unit. The unit is brought into conflict with the Pentagon. 11.50 Inside Hollywood. 12.00 SuperCasino.



Silent Witness
BBC1, Sunday, 9pm.



Britain's Got Talent
ITV1, Saturday, 8pm.



Avatar
Channel 4, Saturday, 6.50pm.



Once Upon a Time
Channel 5, Sunday, 8pm.

SUNDAY

BBC1	BBC2	ITV	CHANNEL 4	CHANNEL 5
6.00 Breakfast. 7.35 Match of the Day. 9.00 The Andrew Marr Show. 10.00 The Big Questions. 11.00 Country Tracks; (C) Weather for the Week Ahead. 12.00 Sunday Politics. 1.05 EastEnders. 2.55 Bargain Hunt. 3.40 Escape to the Country. 4.40 Songs of Praise. 5.15 Titanic with Len Goodman. The Strictly Come Dancing judge explores the impact of the Titanic tragedy, hearing the stories of people who survived the disaster, and those who were less fortunate. 5.45 Land Girls. Events spiral out of Connie's control when her past catches up with her. Iris makes a shocking discovery, while Esther decides to face her critics. 6.30 BBC News; Regional News; Weather. 7.00 Countryfile. Includes Weather for the Week Ahead. 8.00 Antiques Roadshow. From the All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club in Wimbledon. 9.00 Silent Witness. The forensic investigation drama returns with six two-part stories. The team attends a triple murder at a farmhouse. 10.00 BBC News; Regional News; Weather. 10.25 Room 101 – Extra Storage. 11.05 The Syndicate. Drama. 12.05 The Sky at Night.	6.00 CBeebies: Harry and Toto. 6.10 Lunar Jim. 6.20 Raa Raa the Noisy Lion. 6.35 Chuggington. 6.45 Pinky Dinky Doo. 7.00 CBBC: Richard Hammond's Blast Lab. 7.30 Dennis and Gnasher. 7.40 The Scooby-Doo Show; (C) The Owl. 8.05 Paradise Cafe. 8.30 Wingin' It; (C) Deadly 60 Bites. 9.00 Friday Download. 10.00 Saturday Kitchen Best Bites. 11.30 FILM: 4 for Texas (1963). Comedy Western. 1.20 FILM: Ill Met By Moonlight (1957). Fact-based WW2 thriller, starring Dirk Bogarde. 3.05 FILM: The Wind and the Lion (1975). Period adventure. 5.00 Flog It! 6.00 TOTP2: Girl Groups. Includes footage of the Supremes, Spice Girls and the Pointer Sisters. 7.00 Sandhurst. The cadets confront the harsh reality of life as an Army officer, as they try to come to terms with the prospect of having to kill – and possibly even being killed. 8.00 The Best of Top Gear. 9.00 The Falklands Legacy with Max Hastings. 10.00 Match of the Day 2. The day's Premier League action. 11.00 Twenty Twelve. Part one of two. The spoof documentary returns. 11.30 FILM: Michael Collins (1996). Factbased drama about the Irish patriot and revolutionary, starring Liam Neeson. 1.35 BBC News.	6.00 CITV: Mini CITV. 7.25 CITV. ITV News. 9.25 Ade in Britain. 9.30 May the Best House Win. 10.30 Dickinson's Real Deal. 11.30 ITV News and Weather. 12.30 You've Been Framed! 1.05 Britain's Got Talent. 2.05 FILM: Columbo: A Case of Immunity (1975). Detective drama, starring Peter Falk. 3.40 Midsomer Murders. A sex scandal resurfaces following the murder of a former detective. Last in the series. 5.40 Anglia News and Weather. 5.55 ITV News and Weather. 6.10 FILM: Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince (2009). Fantasy adventure sequel, starring Daniel Radcliffe, Michael Gambon, Emma Watson and Rupert Grint. 9.00 Titanic. The story returns to the beginning, to the Belfast shipyard where political strife interferes with the Titanic's construction, prompting the designer to offer electrical engineer Jim Maloney steeage passage on the liner – if he and his team can finish the wiring on time. 10.00 ITV News at Ten and Weather. 10.15 Perspectives: Lenny Henry – Finding Shakespeare. The comedian charts his changing relationship with the Bard. 11.15 Premiership Rugby Union. Action from the latest fixtures. 12.10 The Zone. Interactive gaming; ITV News Headlines.	6.10 The Hoobs. 6.35 The Hoobs. 7.00 Road to London 2012: That Paralympic Show. 7.30 Channel 4 Presents – 2012: David Clarke – Part Two. 7.35 Sailing: America's Cup Uncovered. 8.00 Everybody Loves Raymond. Also 8.30. 8.55 Frasier. Also 9.25. 10.00 Sunday Brunch. 12.00 The Big Bang Theory. Also 12.30. 1.00 The Simpsons. Also 1.30. 2.00 FILM: Addams Family Values (1993). Comedy sequel. 3.45 FILM: Aliens in the Attic (2009). Premiere. Children's sci-fi comedy. 5.25 Time Team. 6.25 Deal or No Deal. 7.25 Channel 4 News. 7.55 4thought.tv. 8.00 Disasters at Sea: Why Ships Sink. To mark the 100th anniversary of the sinking of the Titanic, this documentary examines the disaster and asks why maritime catastrophes still occur. 9.00 Homeland. Aileen flees from the CIA and tries to reach Mexico. 10.10 FILM: Sorority Row (2009). Horror remake, starring Briana Evigan and Leah Pipes. 12.05 FILM: The Descent (2005). Horror, starring Shauna Macdonald. 1.55 FILM: 5x2: Cinq Fois Deux (2004). Drama.	6.00 Milkshake!: Peppa Pig. 6.05 Roary the Racing Car. 6.15 Fifi and the Flowerpots. 6.25 City of Friends. 6.35 Harry and His Bucket Full of Dinosaurs. 6.50 Castle Farm. 6.55 Igam Ogam. 7.05 Roobarb and Custard Too. 7.10 Bananas in Pyjamas. 7.25 Family! 7.35 Make Way for Noddy. 7.45 Milkshake! Monkey. 7.50 Bert and Ernie's Great Adventures. 8.00 Little Princess. 8.15 The Adventures of Bottle Top Bill and His Best Friend Corky. 8.30 Angelina Ballerina. 8.45 Rupert Bear. 8.55 Milkshake! Show Songs. 9.00 Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom. 9.15 The Mr Men Show. 9.25 Roary the Racing Car. 9.40 Mist-Sheepdog Tales. 10.00 Inside Hollywood. 10.10 Grey's Anatomy. 11.05 Big Body Squad. 12.05 Emergency Bikers. 1.05 Cowboy Builders. 2.00 FILM: Winnie the Pooh: Springtime with Roo (2004). 3.15 FILM: High School Musical 3: Senior Year (2008). 5.25 5 News. 5.30 FILM: Mrs Doubtfire (1993). 8.00 Once Upon a Time. New series. Fantasy drama set in a town where everyone is a fairy-tale character living under a curse. Only one woman can save them – Snow White's daughter. 9.00 FILM: Rush Hour 2 (2001). 10.40 FILM: In Hell (2003). Action adventure. 12.35 The World of Stupid Criminals.

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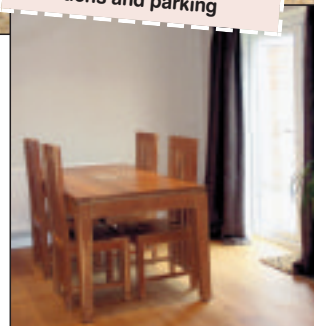
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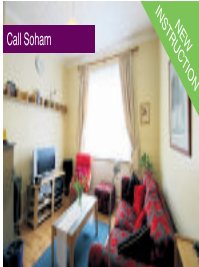


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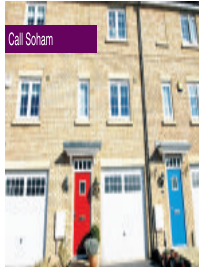


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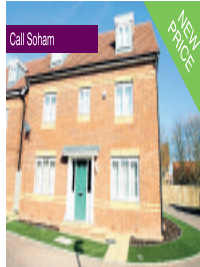


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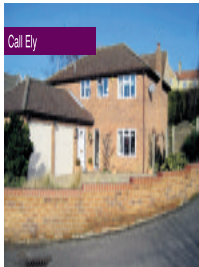


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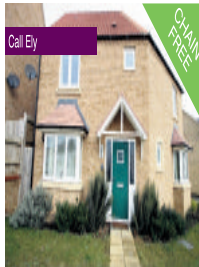


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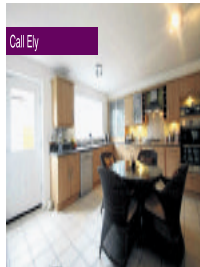


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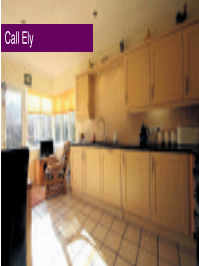


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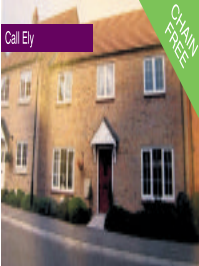


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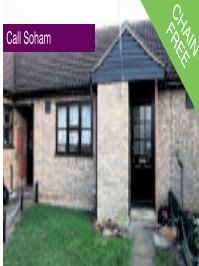


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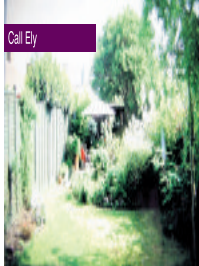


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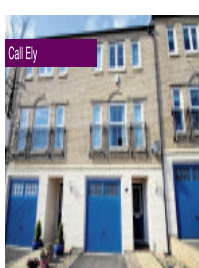


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A charming Grade II Listed one bedroom terraced cottage situated in a central location within walking distance of the City Centre and Railway Station.

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RECENTLY SOLD

This 3 bedroom semi detached shared ownership house, situated in a new cul de sac in this popular village, has been built by the highly regarded local builders Messrs. BUCKINGHAM & SPARROW LIMITED.

**ELY**
O/A £179,500

Situated in a pleasant cul de sac this semi detached bungalow comprises: kitchen, lounge, 2 bedrooms and bathroom. Outside is a front garden, driveway, garage and a delightful rear garden. NO UPWARD CHAIN

**LITTLEPORT**
O/A £159,950

A modern semi detached house comprising: cloakroom, kitchen/breakfast room, lounge/dining area, 3 bedrooms, en suite shower room and bathroom. Outside is a garage, driveway parking and rear garden.

**LITTLEPORT**
O/A £144,950

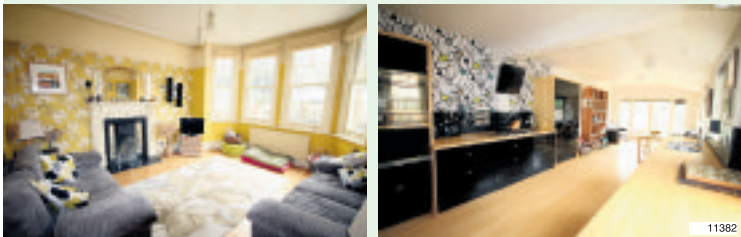
A semi detached house situated towards the edge of the village comprising: lounge, kitchen/dining area, conservatory, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, central heating, gardens and garage. NO UPWARD CHAIN.

**SOUTHERY**
O/A £72,500

A large building plot with Planning Permission for the construction of a 4 bedroom detached dwelling and garage, following the demolition of a pair of derelict semi detached dwellings and associated outbuildings.

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Ely **£389,950**
This Edwardian City home is situated in a highly regarded central location. Extended and offering superb family accommodation which includes entrance hallway, lounge, dining room, kitchen/family room, ground floor shower room, 4 bedrooms, bathroom, separate studio/office and gardens.

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Littleport **Guide Price £450,000**
An imposing detached residence offering approximately 2,800 sq. ft. of accommodation in 1/3rd of an acre (sts) secluded grounds with 5 double bedrooms, 4 reception rooms, garden room, kitchen/breakfast room and double garage.

NEW PRICE



Witchford **£210,000**
A modern detached home in a popular cul de sac. Entrance hall, lounge, dining room, conservatory, kitchen, utility, cloakroom, office/play room, 3 double bedrooms (1 ensuite), bathroom, mature gardens, driveway.

NEW



Ely **£205,000**
A modern linked home situated in a cul de sac location close to Ely Community College and the popular Lantern School and offered for sale with no upward chain. Accommodation includes entrance hall, cloakroom, spacious lounge, modern kitchen, conservatory/dining room, 4 bedrooms (1 ensuite), south facing rear garden, driveway and car port.

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NEW



Littleport **£365,000**
A substantial detached home on a plot of almost 1/4 of an acre (sts). Includes hall, cloakroom, lounge, kitchen/diner, family room, utility, study, 5 double bedrooms (1 en-suite), bathroom, gardens, parking, double garage and gymnasium. Superbly presented.

NEW

76% SHARED EQUITY



Ely **£105,000**
A superbly presented modern home offered for sale on a 76% shared equity basis, which has been updated by the current owner to a high standard and is an ideal first time purchase. Entrance hall opening into lounge, refitted kitchen/dining room with built-in appliances, 2 bedrooms, refitted bathroom, attractive garden and 2 parking spaces.

NEW



Ely **£209,995**
A well presented modern home situated within a highly regarded location with hall, cloakroom, lounge, conservatory, superb refitted kitchen/dining room, 3 bedrooms (master with ensuite) and family bathroom. Outside there is a driveway, car port and attractive well stocked garden. The property is also being offered with the benefit of no upward chain.

NEW



Littleport **£230,000**
A modern detached home in a small cul de sac development overlooking open countryside to rear. Hall, cloakroom, kitchen/family room, utility, spacious lounge, 4 bedrooms (1 ensuite), bathroom, driveway, garage and attractive established gardens.

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Chettisham **£295,000**
A superb older style 3 bedroom semi detached residence with 2 reception rooms, stunning views, driveway, mature gardens, brick outbuildings, additional garden available to rent. Character features. Viewing essential.



NEW **76% SHARED EQUITY**

Ely **£95,950**
A well presented mid terrace house offered for sale on a shared equity basis. Hall, lounge, spacious kitchen/dining room, 2 bedrooms, modern bathroom, garden, 2 parking spaces. No upward chain.



Ely **£121,950**
A superbly presented second floor flat finished in a contemporary style. Hallway, spacious lounge, refitted kitchen, bathroom, 2 double bedrooms, parking. No upward chain.



NEW

Littleport **£165,000**
A spacious semi detached house situated in a quiet lane with porch, kitchen/breakfast room, spacious lounge, conservatory, wet room, 2 bedrooms, bathroom, driveway, paved garden & workshop. No upward chain.



Stretham **£199,950**
An extended link detached property including entrance hall, kitchen/breakfast room, lounge, dining room, study, utility, cloakroom, 4 bedrooms, bathroom, shower room, driveway, gardens. No upward chain.



NEW

Soham **£89,950**
A well presented 1 bedroom apartment with accommodation that comprises entrance hallway, lounge, kitchen, bathroom and bedroom.



Little Downham **£235,000**
A spacious detached bungalow in a quiet residential lane close to the village centre. Porch, hall, kitchen/breakfast room, lounge/dining room, 3 double bedrooms, bathroom, drive, garage, attractive gardens. No upward chain.



NEW

Littleport **£125,000**
A semi-detached home comprising entrance hall, kitchen/breakfast room, lounge, 2 bedrooms, bathroom, front & rear gardens, garage & driveway. No Upward Chain



NEW

Wardy Hill **£199,950**
A spacious 3 double bedroom detached property situated in a non estate location with superb views across countryside to the rear and offered for sale with no upward chain. Attractive setting, spacious accommodation.



Little Downham **£199,950**
An established detached home in a popular non estate location within the village centre. Hall, cloakroom, superb refitted kitchen/dining room, lounge, conservatory, 3 bedrooms, refitted bathroom, gardens, double garage.



NEW PRICE

Prickwillow **£89,995**
A semi rural 2 bedroom detached bungalow in need of modernisation & renovation. No upward chain. CASH PURCHASERS ONLY.



Soham **£136,950**
An established three bedroom home situated close to the centre of this popular town. Accommodation includes entrance hallway, lounge, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, three bedrooms, bathroom & gardens.

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Soham **£294,950**
 An extended detached bungalow in a non estate location. Includes 4 bedrooms (master with ensuite), 2 receptions, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, shower room, bathroom, garage, workshop, car port & 100' plus rear garden.



NEW PRICE
Stretham **£139,000**
 A well presented extended end terrace property in a cul de sac location. Entrance hall, spacious kitchen/dining room, lounge, 2 bedrooms, refitted bathroom, attractive garden & driveway.



NEW
Soham **£269,950**
 An established detached house in a non-estate location. Accommodation includes entrance hallway, lounge, kitchen, utility, cloakroom, 3 bedrooms, bathroom, inner hallway, garage, driveway, superb garden.



Ely **£192,950**
 A modern townhouse on a highly regarded residential development offering versatile accommodation. Hall, kitchen, lounge, cloakroom, 3 bedrooms (1 with ensuite & dressing room), bathroom, garage, parking, gardens.



Soham **£185,000**
 A spacious detached home between Ely & Soham. Hall, cloakroom, utility, spacious kitchen/dining room, lounge, 3 dble bedrooms (1 ensuite), shower room, dble garage, yard area, separate office, mature gardens. No chain.



NEW PRICE
Ely **£192,500**
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WILLIAMS CLOSE, ELY

£1,250 pcm

Modern and well presented four bedroom detached house in a highly regarded location. Accommodation comprises entrance hall, living room, dining room, conservatory, kitchen, utility room, master bedroom with ensuite, three further bedrooms and a family bathroom. The property has gas central heating, double glazing, enclosed garden and garage. Available now.



ALL24

ALLEN ROAD, ELY

£1,250 pcm

Spacious and very well presented detached home. Accommodation comprises entrance hall, cloakroom, living room, fitted kitchen/breakfast room with integrated appliances, utility room, master bedroom with dressing room and ensuite shower room, four further bedrooms and a fitted bathroom with shower over the bath. The property has gas heating, double glazing, enclosed garden and single garage. Available now.



ALE74

NEW

ALEXANDER CHASE, ELY

£1,300 pcm

Modern and spacious four bedroom three-storey detached house with enclosed garden and double garage. Available now.



CHE18

CHELMER WAY, ELY

£1,050 pcm

Modern townhouse on this popular development to the north of the City. Accommodation to the ground floor comprises entrance hall, cloakroom, dining room and kitchen/breakfast room with integrated cooker and French doors to garden. Accommodation to the first floor comprises living room with feature fireplace and two bedrooms. Accommodation to the second floor comprises the master suite, bedroom two and family bathroom. Gas central heating, double glazing, enclosed rear garden, garage and parking.



CIT69

CITY ROAD, LITTLEPORT

£1,100 pcm

Brand new four bedroom detached house offering spacious family accommodation with garden, garage and drive. Available now.



MIL49

MILL CORNER, SOHAM

£775 pcm

Detached three bedroom cottage with conservatory, outbuildings and gardens to front and rear. Available mid April.



WIS74

WISBECH ROAD, LITTLEPORT

£750 pcm

Detached three bedroom house within walking distance of the town centre with gas central heating, double glazing, garage and garden (gardening included).



ALTH5

ALTHORPE COURT, ELY

£750 pcm

Modern three bedroom detached house with conservatory, gas heating, double glazing, enclosed garden, garage and driveway.



COL87

COLUMBINE ROAD, ELY

£725 pcm

Modern three bedroom terraced house with enclosed garden, gas heating, double glazing and carport. Available mid April.



HIG61

HIGHFIELD DRIVE, LITTLEPORT

£695 pcm

Modern three bedroom end of terrace house with gas central heating, enclosed garden and allocated parking. Available now.



QUAS8

QUAYSIDE, ELY

£625 pcm

Three bedroom flat ideally located for the City centre, riverside and rail station. The property has gas central heating.



FRED4

FREDERICK TALBOT CLOSE, SOHAM

£625 pcm

Three bedroom terraced house in town centre with gas central heating, enclosed garden and garage.



SCHO3

SCHOOL LANE, PYMOOR

£625 pcm

Three bedroom detached bungalow with conservatory, oil heating, two driveways and a single garage. Available now.



WEL36

WELLINGTON STREET, LITTLEPORT

£600 pcm

Furnished mid terrace cottage situated close to the town centre with gas heating, rear garden, garage and parking to the rear.



STM11

ST MARTINS WALK, ELY

£600 pcm

Centrally located two bedroom apartment with electric heating and allocated parking. Available mid April.



VI126

VICTORIA STREET, LITTLEPORT

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■ Furnished
■ Deposit £750



Soham **£550**

A two bedroom first floor flat located in the centre of this well served village offering many local shops & facilities on the doorstep
■ Available Now tbc
■ Unfurnished
■ Deposit £825



Littleport **£550**

Newly refurbished 2 bedroom first floor flat located in the centre of the Town & offering mainline rail station on Kings Cross/Kings Lynn line
■ Available 01/04/2012
■ Unfurnished
■ Deposit £825

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Ely **£550**

Well presented, deceptively spacious 1 bedroom maisonette forming part of a Victorian detached house. Located just a stones throw from the main City centre
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■ Deposit £825



Haddenham **£550**

Well presented two bedroom bungalow on a corner plot in excellent location for schools and local amenities
■ Available 10/04/2012
■ Unfurnished
■ Deposit £825



Ely **£600**

Nearly new, well proportioned first floor apartment situated on the popular Cathedral View Development on the northern side of the Town
■ Available Now
■ Unfurnished
■ Deposit £950

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Coveney **£625**

Detached bungalow newly decorated to a high standard located in the popular village of Coveney boasting stunning views over open countryside
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■ Deposit £940



March **£625**

Well presented 3 bedroom end terrace cottage with some delightful features overlooking the river and situated in the market town of March
■ Available 13/04/2012
■ Unfurnished
■ Deposit £950



Haddenham **£650**

Delightful 2 bedroom bungalow presented to the highest of standards located in a quiet cul de sac in this sought after village
■ Available 01/04/2012
■ Unfurnished
■ Deposit £975

AVAILABLE NOW



Soham **£650**

Deceptively large, 3 level, recently renovated charming period cottage. The property is located close to shops and all local amenities
■ Available Now
■ Unfurnished
■ Deposit £975

AVAILABLE NOW



Ely **£695**

Well presented 2 bedroom Victorian end terrace home located in a sought after street of similar homes just a short walk from the City centre
■ Available Now
■ Unfurnished
■ Deposit £1050



Ely **£695**

Located in the City Centre of Ely this modern starter home is set in a quiet cul de sac location
■ Available 16/04/2012
■ Unfurnished
■ Deposit £1050



Littleport **£695**

A fantastic opportunity to rent a spacious 3 bedroom family home. Located just a short walk from shops & mainline rail station
■ Available 01/04/2012
■ Unfurnished
■ Deposit £1050

AVAILABLE NOW



Littleport **£725**

Deceptively spacious three bedroom semi-detached house located just a short walk from the Town centre.
■ Available Now
■ Unfurnished
■ Deposit £1125

AVAILABLE NOW



Littleport **£750**

Nearly new four bedroom townhouse close to local shops and amenities and offering easy access to A10.
■ Available Now
■ Unfurnished
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Soham **£750**

A superb three bedroom home located in the sought after village of Soham offering excellent schooling and day to day amenities
■ Available 10/05/2012
■ Unfurnished
■ Deposit £1125

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Littleport **£800**

Beautifully presented 4 bedroom family home offering local shops, facilities and mainline rail station
■ Available 14/04/2012
■ Unfurnished
■ Deposit £800



Ely **£850**

A well presented 3 bedroom home located within a ten minute walk of Ely City centre and offering excellent road and rail links to Cambridge and London
■ Available 20/04/2012
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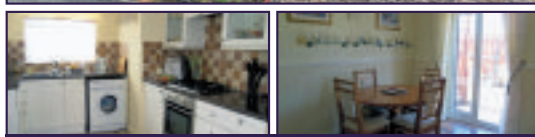


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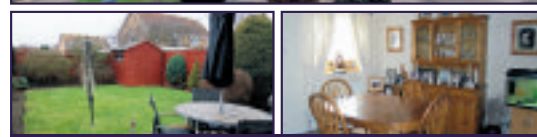
£89,950



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- Three Bedrooms
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- Good Size Rear Garden
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- Gas Fired Central Heating

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- Ground Floor Cloakroom

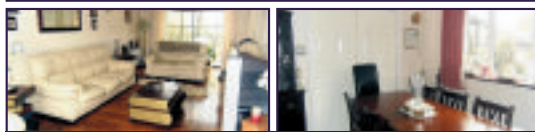
£165,000



CHATTERIS

- Three Bedrooms with En Suite to Master
- Refitted Kitchen
- Good Size Conservatory
- Garage & Off Road Parking
- Ground Floor Cloakroom
- UPVC Double Glazing

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- Cul de Sac Location
- Garage & Ample Off Road Parking
- UPVC Double Glazing
- Substantial Property

£265,000



CHATTERIS

- No Upward Chain
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Garage & Off Road Parking
- Good Size Rear Garden

£129,995



CHATTERIS

- Four Bedrooms with En-Suite to Master
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- Separate Lounge & Dining Room
- Conservatory

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**SOHAM** O/A £134,950

A well proportioned three bedroom end of terrace property which lies in a convenient, near central position, within this popular well served small town.

**LITTLEPORT**
O/A £175,000

A modern detached bungalow which lies within a small convenient cul de sac setting literally around the corner from a wide range of local facilities. Ent. Hall, Living Room, Kitchen, Conservatory, 2/3 Bedrooms, Bathroom, Gas C.H., Garage, Rear Garden.

**ELY** O/A £265,000

A well presented three bedroom detached bungalow which lies in a highly sought after location just off Market Square in the centre of the City.

**ELY** O/A £159,000

An established 1920's built three bedroom end of terrace house with a 160' rear garden, which lies in a convenient position close to local schools and less than a mile from the City Centre.

**SUTTON** O/A £158,950

A particularly well appointed double fronted two bedroom semi detached property which lies within a popular cul de sac development in this sought after village location.

**NEW****SUTTON**

An immaculate, extended, two double bedroom detached house which lies in an enviable cul de sac position just off The Row in this popular well served village location. Entrance Hall, Kitchen, Living Room, Conservatory, Bathroom, Front and Rear Gardens, Underfloor and Ceiling Heating, Garage, Driveway Parking, Double Glazing. No Upward Chain.

O/A £159,950

**NEW****STRETHAM**

An imposing, Georgian, triple fronted detached residence which lies on a mature plot approaching 1/3 (0.3) of an acre in the centre of this sought after village location. Ent. Hall, Cloakroom, Kitchen, Utility Room, Study, Living Room, Family Room, Heated Indoor Swimming Pool, Four Bedrooms, En-Suite Shower Room, Bathroom, Garage, 110ft Rear Garden.

O/A £385,000

**PYMOOR** O/A £159,950

An exceptional well presented extended semi detached three bedroom period cottage with far reaching views over open farmland.

**NEW****WITCHFORD**

A spacious four bedroom detached house which lies on a large plot approaching 1/5 acre (0.223) backing on to playing fields in a sought after cul de sac position. Ent. Hall, Cloakroom, Living Room, Dining Room, Kitchen, Utility Room, Bathroom, Garage, Long Rear Garden.

O/A £295,000

**MEPAL** Guide Price £219,950

A modern well presented detached three bedroom bungalow tucked away within a small group of properties in this popular village location.



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NEW

WICKEN

A well presented, older style, two bedroom semi detached cottage overlooking the village green with a south facing rear garden in this picturesque and highly sought after village location. Spacious Living Room, Rear Lobby, Ground Floor Bathroom, Front Garden, Delightful South Facing 60' Rear Garden, Complete Upward Chain.

O/A £144,950



NEW

STRETHAM

A spacious four bedroom detached house which lies in the centre of this sought after convenient village location. Side Ent. Hall, Dining Room/Music Room, Lounge, Study/Dining Room, Kitchen/Breakfast Room, Rear Hall/Utility Room, Ground Floor Shower Room, Bathroom, D.G., Small Triangular Courtyard to the Rear.

O/A £199,950



NEW

SUTTON
O/A £168,000

A superbly presented, extended, three bedroom semi detached bungalow, which lies towards the end of a cul de sac just a few minutes walk from the High Street. Entrance Porch, Kitchen/Breakfast Room, Open Plan Living Area, Inner Hall, Bathroom, Oil Fired Central Heating, Double Glazing, Front and Rear Gardens, Garage. NO UPWARD CHAIN.

**ELY** £154,950

An established, 1920s built, three bedroom terraced cottage with a 160' rear garden which lies in a convenient position less than a mile from the City Centre.



NEW

SOHAM
O/A £189,950

An immaculately presented, recently built, two double bedroom detached bungalow which lies at the end of this small sought after cul de sac just off The Butts within this popular well served village/town location. Storm Porch, Ent. Hall, Living Room, Kitchen, En-Suite Shower Room, Bathroom, DG, GCH, Front and Rear Gardens, Driveway Parking, Garage.

**LITTLEPORT** Guide Price £197,000

A well proportioned three bedroom detached bungalow which lies on a good size plot close to amenities in this well served village location.

**SOHAM** O/A £275,000

A charming modernised 4 bedroom detached cottage with deceptively spacious and versatile accommodation tucked away in a convenient location close to the town centre.

**ELY** O/A £147,000

A well appointed detached coach house two bedroom apartment with the rare benefit of a 40' rear garden tucked away off the drive in this popular modern development.

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A very well presented three bedroom detached house offering flexible ground floor living accommodation. Ent. Hall, Cloakroom, Sitting Room, Kitchen/Diner, Utility Room, Family Room, En-Suite Shower Room, Bathroom, Gas C.H., Enclosed Rear Garden, Off Street Parking. VIEWING HIGHLY RECOMMENDED.

£900 pcm

Available Beg. of April - Unfurnished



STRETHAM

A newly refurbished semi detached house set on a good sized plot and giving easy access to the A10 for Cambridge and Ely. Entrance Hall, Living Room with archway through to Kitchen/Diner, Conservatory, 2 Bedrooms, Bathroom, Large Rear Garden, Oil Central Heating, Double Glazing.

£650 pcm

Available Immediately - Unfurnished



ELY

An attractive particularly well appointed two bedroom, two bathroom semi detached house which is situated in a sought after residential development approximately one mile from the centre of Ely. Ent. Hall, Cloakroom, Fitted Kitchen with Appliances, Living Room, Gardens Extending to Front, Side and Rear, Garage.

£695 pcm

Available Immediately - Unfurnished



LET

ELY

An attractive modern end of terrace town house providing spacious accommodation, tucked away at the end of a small select cul de sac within easy distance of the City Centre. Ent. Hall, Cloakroom, Kitchen/Dining Room, Lounge, Three Bedrooms, En-Suite, Bathroom, Gas C.H., Two Allocated Parking Spaces.

£825 pcm

Available Mid March - Unfurnished



NEW

SUTTON

A three bedroom semi detached house with en-suite shower room, dining room and single garage situated overlooking an amenity green in this sought after well served village location.

£695 pcm

Available Immediately - Unfurnished



ELY

A two bedroom mid terrace house with double glazing, gas central heating and enclosed rear garden and off street parking. Entrance Hall, Kitchen, Living Room, Two Bedrooms, Bathroom, Garden, Parking.

£625 pcm

Available Beg of April - Unfurnished



NEW

ELY

A three bedroom townhouse, situated in a delightful location close to the river and with views over Jubilee Gardens, situated within easy distance of the Railway Station and City Centre. Ent. Hall, Cloakroom, Fitted Kitchen, Living Room, Study, Bathroom, En-Suite, Rear Garden Area and Parking Space.

£1,000 pcm

Available Mid April - Unfurnished



NEW

ELY

A well presented 3 storey townhouse located a short walk to the Railway Station, River Great Ouse and City Centre. Ent. Hall, Cloakroom, Kitchen and Family Room on G/Floor. Drawing Room, Bed 1 and En-Suite on F/Floor, 3 Bedrooms and Bathroom on Second Floor. Garden and Garage.

£1,100 pcm

Available Immediately - Unfurnished



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SOHAM

A spacious two/three double bedroom detached house situated in an appealing non estate position towards the outskirts of this popular well served town. Sun Room/Hall, Kitchen, Living Room, Bathroom, Utility Room, Front and Rear Gardens, Garage, Driveway Parking.

£650 pcm

Available - Mid April - Unfurnished



ELY

A very well maintained two bedroom mid terrace house located at the end of a cul de sac with views to Ely Cathedral. Ent. Hall, Cloakroom, Living Room, Kitchen/Diner, En-Suite Shower Room, Bathroom, D.G., Gas C.H., Enclosed Rear Garden.

£695 pcm



ELY

A brand new end of terrace house offering two double bedrooms and a fully fitted kitchen with appliances. Entrance Hall, Cloakroom, Fitted Kitchen, Living Room, Two Bedrooms, Bathroom, Allocated Parking Space.

VIEWING RECOMMENDED

£675 pcm

Available Immediately - Unfurnished



ELY

A two bedroom purpose built ground floor flat located within a few minutes walk of the River & Railway Station.

Communal Entrance Hall, Entrance Hall, Good Sized Living Room, Kitchen, Master Bedroom with Fitted Wardrobes, Bedroom Two, Shower Room, Residents Parking Space.

£675 pcm

Available Immediately - Unfurnished



PRICKWILLOW

A Two/Three bedroom older style semi-detached cottage backing onto open farmland.

Dining Room, Cloaks/Utility Room, Kitchen, Living Room, Two/Three Bedrooms, Bedroom 3/Study, Bathroom, Rear Garden.

£650 pcm

Available - Immediately - Unfurnished



WITCHFORD

A modern Four bedroom detached house located in a popular village with open views to the rear, situated approximately 3.3 miles from Ely. Entrance Hall, Cloakroom, Fitted Kitchen, Living Room, 4 Bedrooms, En-Suite Shower Room, Bathroom, Enclosed Rear Garden, Garage and Parking.

£975 pcm

Available Mid April - Unfurnished





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Soham

NEW!
£125,000



Early and internal viewing is strongly advised for this one bedroom detached park home. The property has refurbished shower room and kitchen, This has off road parking and if offered for sale chain free.



Witchford

REDUCED
£45,000



Four bedroom detached home, within the ever requested village of Witcham, offers double garage, lounge, kitchen/dining room, cloakroom and ample off road parking is essential viewing!



Witcham

NEW!
£285,000



This three bedroom semi detached bungalow is essential viewing. Providing accommodation including lounge, kitchen and bathroom as well as off road parking.



Sutton

NEW!
£138,950



OPEN HOUSE SATURDAY 31ST MARCH 2PM - 4PM. This three bedroom detached house offers versatile accommodation as well as ample gated off road parking. The property requires refurbishment - viewing is essential.



Littleport

REDUCED
£150,000



Superb opportunity to acquire this three bedroom, three storey townhouse with dressing room & en-suite to master bedroom, with a wealth of features such as inglenook fireplace and refitted kitchen. A must view.

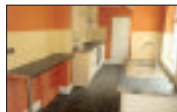


Stretham

NEW!
£250,000



Early and internal viewing is strongly recommended for this chain free two bedroom mid terrace cottage. The property benefits for refurbishment throughout as well as rear garden. Call to view today.



Littleport

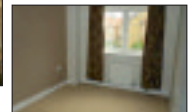
REDUCED
£125,000

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Ex Show Home! This three storey, semi detached home offers accommodation including 2 en-suites, kitchen, lounge/diner and off road parking. The property is offered chain free and priced to sell.



Littleport

REDUCED
£185,000



Early viewing is advised for this three bedroom period property that offers lounge, kitchen/diner, downstairs cloakroom and en-suite to master bedroom. The property also benefits from enclosed rear garden and



Soham

REDUCED
£184,995



This is a perfect home for the first time buyer. This three bedroom ground floor apartment offers intercom system, parking plus guest spaces, lounge, dining room/bedroom three, kitchen and family bathroom.



Soham

REDUCED
£114,950



Early and internal viewing is advised for this three bedroom end of terrace house. This property has cart lodge parking and en-suite to master bedroom and is offered for sale chain free!

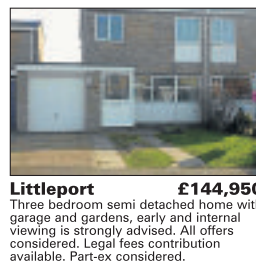


Soham

REDUCED
£147,500



Soham £102,500
First floor apartment with open fires, off road parking and accommodation including lounge, kitchen/diner, two bedrooms, bathroom and use of communal balcony. This is a must view!



Littleport £144,950
Three bedroom semi detached home with garage and gardens, early and internal viewing is strongly advised. All offers considered. Legal fees contribution available. Part-ex considered.



Three bedroom semi detached cottage with open fireplace. The property has off road parking, rear gardens including two lawned areas, and a fruit and vegetable garden with rear views over fields.



Wilburton

REDUCED
£210,000



An opportunity to acquire this four bedroom home has arisen, offering lounge, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, study, utility, two en-suites, dressing room, double garage and off road parking.

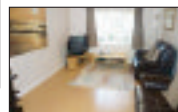


Ely

£299,950



Four bedroom detached home with tandem garage. This home has much to offer including, study, dining room/family room, kitchen/breakfast room, en-suite to master bedroom and front and rear gardens.



Soham

£250,000



Village location! This two bedroom cottage has lounge, separate dining room and rear garden. A must view for any first time buyer.



Soham

£125,000

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SOHAM

An unique and interesting extended home with a plot size of 0.25 acres STS, situated within the popular town of Soham close to local amenities.

5 bedrooms, en suite, wet room, bathroom, kitchen/breakfast room, family/garden room, dining room, studio apartment, office, double garage, driveway, off road parking and garden.

£500,000



STRETHAM

An individually designed detached house situated in an exclusive cul de sac within this highly sought after south Ely village.

6 bedrooms, en suite shower room, bathroom, shower room, lounge, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, study, utility room, garage, off road parking and garden.

£459,950



SUTTON

A remarkable and unique detached family home offering deceptively spacious accommodation.

4 bedrooms, bathroom, dining area, lounge, kitchen/breakfast room, calor gas heating, double glazing, garage, driveway and 4 acres of land (STS) with 3.5 acres having possible equestrian uses.

£440,000



QUEEN ADELAIDE

A detached home offering substantial accommodation situated on a substantial plot in the hamlet of Queen Adelaide.

5 bedrooms, en suite, bathroom, study, 4 reception rooms, kitchen/breakfast room, salon, garage, off road parking, oil fired heating, double glazing, detached timber stable with tack room and approx 1/3 acre plot.

£425,000



LITTLE DOWNHAM

A highly individual detached family home offering extensive accommodation on a good size plot with fantastic countryside views and walks nearby.

5 bedrooms, 2 en suites, dressing room, bathroom, sitting room, dining room, conservatory, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, boot room, garage and car ports and gardens.

£379,950



SUTTON

This home is set on a good size plot with countryside views to the rear in one of this villages popular locations.

4 bedrooms, en suite, bathroom, study, dining room opening to the sitting room, kitchen, utility room, swimming pool, cellar, garage, off road parking and garden.

£349,950



SUTTON

A detached bungalow offering extensive living space and a large garden overlooking orchards which sits on a plot of approximately half an acre within the village of Sutton.

3 bedrooms, en suite, bathroom & separate shower cubicle, lounge, dining room, family room, double glazing, gas central heating, garden and extensive off road parking.

£319,950



ELY

A detached home with views to the front over farmland and in the catchment area for the sought after Lantern Primary School.

6 bedrooms, en suites to 3 bedrooms, bathroom, lounge, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, double glazing, gas fuelled heating, garage, off road parking and garden.

£309,950



LITTLEPORT

An investment opportunity to acquire a detached property split into four, two bedroom flats situated within the centre of the town and walking distance of the mainline railway station.

4 flats, communal entrance hall, all flats having, 2 bedrooms, bathroom, kitchen, lounge, parking, gas fuelled heating and double glazing.

£280,000



ELY

An extremely well presented four bedroom detached family home situated in the catchment area of 'Ely St Johns' school.

4 bedrooms, en suite, bathroom, sitting room, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, conservatory, driveway and garage.

£244,950



SOHAM

An established and deceptively spacious three bedroom detached bungalow offered for sale in excellent condition and situated on a good size plot within walking distance of all local amenities.

3 bedrooms, bathroom, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, lounge, dining room, garage, road parking and gardens.

£238,500



ELY

A well presented townhouse offering easy access to the A10 road links to Cambridge and London.

4 bedrooms, bathroom, en suite, cloakroom/utility room, lounge, kitchen/family room, double glazing, gas central heating, garage, off road parking and garden.

£229,950





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NEW



WITCHEFORD

A semi detached home situated in a quiet cul de sac location in this sought after village.

3 bedrooms, loft room, bathroom, lounge, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, annexe, garage, workshop, swimming pool, gas fuelled heating, double glazing and off road parking.

£229,950

NEW



ELY

A well maintained and presented family home situated on a highly regarded residential development, convenient for the railway station and the City Centre.

3 bedrooms, en suite, bathroom, lounge/dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, double glazing, gas fuelled heating, garage and off road parking. No upward chain.

£224,950



LITTLE DOWNHAM

A detached house situated in the popular village of Little Downham within walking distance of the local amenities.

4 bedrooms, bathroom, lounge, sitting room, dining room, kitchen, double glazing, gas fuelled heating, off road parking and garden.

£209,950

NEW



ELY

A modern end of terrace townhouse located in the highly sought after 'Alexander Chase' development within the catchment area of 'Ely St Johns' school.

4 bedrooms, en suite, bathroom, kitchen, lounge/dining room, gas fuelled heating, double glazing, garden and driveway. No upward chain.

£204,950

NEW PRICE



ELY

A deceptively spacious home, well presented throughout and located within easy walking distance of the Lantern Primary School and the City Centre.

3 bedrooms, en suite, bathroom, cloakroom, dining room, kitchen, lounge, double glazing, gas fuelled heating, garden, garage and off road parking.

£199,950



LITTLEPORT

A detached family home offering bright and spacious accommodation situated in a quiet cul de sac benefiting from views across open farmland towards Ely Cathedral.

4 bedrooms, en suite, bathroom, lounge, kitchen/breakfast room, conservatory, utility room, garage, off road parking and garden.

£194,950

NEW



ELY

A 'Norbury' design townhouse providing versatile living accommodation with a garage and parking, ideally suited for first time buyers or a small family. No upward chain.

3 bedrooms, bathroom, lounge/dining room, kitchen, cloakroom, double glazing, gas fuelled heating, garage, off road parking and garden.

£184,950

NEW



ELY

A well presented end terrace house situated in this highly popular residential area with garage to the rear and offering immediate vacant possession.

3 bedrooms, bathroom, kitchen, lounge/dining room, double glazing, gas central heating, garden and garage. No upward chain.

£184,950

NEW PRICE



LITTLEPORT

A semi detached home in the final stages of refurbishment offering well planned and spacious accommodation.

3 bedrooms, bathroom, 2 cloakrooms, sitting room, dining area, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, study/play room, off road parking and gardens.

£179,950

NEW



ELY

A semi detached house situated on a good size plot with a large rear garden in a quiet cul de sac close to local schools

3 bedrooms, bathroom, kitchen/breakfast room, lounge, double glazing, gas fuelled heating, garage, off road parking and garden. No upward chain.

£179,950



WICKEN

A rare opportunity to purchase a semi detached cottage, in a quiet country lane, in the popular village of Wicken.

3 bedrooms, bathroom, lounge/dining room, kitchen, study, downstairs wc, oil central heating, garage/workshop and garden. No upward chain.

£174,950

NEW PRICE



LITTLEPORT

A 1970's built detached family home offering great scope for further extension to the side (subject to planning) within walking distance of the village centre and local schools.

3 bedrooms, bathroom, shower cupboard, cloakroom, L-shaped lounge/diner, kitchen/breakfast room, gas central heating, garage and off road parking.

£169,950

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NEW PRICE



LITTLEPORT

A spacious and well planned detached bungalow located on a good size plot within easy walking distance of the village centre.

2 bedrooms, bathroom, lounge/dining room, kitchen, double glazing, gas central heating, gardens and garden.

£169,950

NEW PRICE



LITTLEPORT

A modern three bedroom detached house located in a central position within the village only a short walk to all local amenities.

3 bedrooms, shower room, cloakroom, kitchen/breakfast room, lounge, dining room, gas central heating, off road parking, please note there is no rear garden with this property.

£159,950

NEW PRICE



ELY

An exceptional two bedroom Georgian terrace located close to the City Centre.

2 bedrooms, bathroom, lounge, kitchen/diner, double glazing, gas central heating, enclosed rear garden and workshop/storage shed.

£149,950



LITTLEPORT

An exceptional home which offers spacious and bright living accommodation situated in a prominent position within this popular residential development.

3 bedrooms, en suite, bathroom, cloakroom, lounge/dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, double glazing, gas central heating and 2 off road parking spaces.

£149,950

NEW



WITCHFORD

A semi detached house situated in a set back location with views of the green within walking distance of the local schools and village amenities.

2 bedrooms, bathroom, kitchen, lounge/dining room, double glazing, gas fuelled heating, garage, off road parking and garden.

£149,950



ELY

A recently refurbished terraced home offering good size accommodation on a set back large plot with a garage and situated in walking distance of the City Centre.

3 bedrooms, bathroom, lounge, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, gas fuelled heating, double glazing, good size rear garden, garage and off road parking.

£144,950

NEW PRICE



WITCHFORD

An exceptionally well presented two bedroom semi detached bungalow overlooking a small greenward area and enjoying a village location.

2 bedrooms, bathroom, sitting room, kitchen, double glazing, oil central heating, garage and garden.

£144,950

NEW



WICKEN

Located in this rarely available village location this extremely well presented two bedroom semi detached period cottage offers many character features throughout and large rear garden.

2 bedrooms, bathroom, kitchen, lounge/dining room, garden and off road parking. Rarely available village location.

£144,950



LITTLEPORT

A charming semi detached cottage situated in a set back location with off road parking in close proximity to the village centre and mainline railway station.

3 bedrooms, bathroom, lounge, kitchen/dining room, front garden, double glazing, gas fuelled heating and off road parking. No upward chain.

£134,950



ELY

A modern quarter home offering stylish and modern living, ideal for first time or investment buyers situated in the popular 'Kings Avenue' development in Ely.

2 bedrooms, bathroom, lounge/kitchen, double glazing, gas fuelled heating and off road parking.

£134,950



ELY

An ideal opportunity for a first time or investment purchaser to acquire a well presented one bedroom ground floor apartment with allocated parking.

Double bedroom, bathroom, lounge, L-shaped fitted kitchen, communal entrance hall, double glazing, electric heating and allocated parking space. No upward chain.

£109,950



ELY

A rare opportunity to acquire a 40% share of a modern home, ideal for first time buyers and situated in a highly desirably location just off St Johns Road.

2 bedrooms, bathroom, lounge, kitchen/dining room, gas fuelled heating, double glazing, allocated parking, and garden. No upward chain.

£62,000



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WILBURTON

A spacious detached 5 bedroom family home located in the village of Wilburton providing easy access to the A10.

Entrance hall leading to lounge, study, the kitchen/family room, doors to rear garden, utility room. Master bedroom with en suite and built in wardrobes, second bedroom with en suite, two further double bedrooms with built in wardrobes and one single bedroom. Family bathroom. Enclosed rear garden, double garage and parking. GCH. Part furnished.

£1,600 PCM



COLLIER CLOSE, ELY

A spacious detached four bedroom house located within the catchment area of St Johns Primary School and with easy access to the A10

The property provides a lounge, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room, dining room, study, downstairs w/c. Master bedroom with adjoining dressing room and en suite, bedroom 2 with built-in wardrobe and en suite, bedroom 3 with built-in wardrobe, bedroom 4 and family bathroom. Enclosed garden. Garage and gated carport. GCH. Unfurnished.

£1,250 PCM



NEW

WILBURTON

A spacious and light four bedroom "Chalet" style detached house in the popular village of Wilburton.

The accommodation comprises of lounge, dining room, study, kitchen/breakfast room, utility room with washing machine, ground floor WC, a master bedroom has an ensuite bathroom, a three further double bedrooms and family bathroom. Oil central heating. Gardens- front and rear with patio area. Parking- double garage and large driveway. SMALL PETS CONSIDERED.

£1,150 PCM



WELLAND PLACE, ELY

A five bedroom townhouse located on a modern development to the North of the City Centre, providing easy access to the A10.

The property offers lounge. Kitchen/breakfast room with built-in oven and hob, fridge/freezer, utility room with dishwasher. Ground floor w/c. BR1 & BR2 with fitted wardrobe and en-suite shower room. Three further bedrooms. Family bathroom. GCH. Open front and small paved enclosed rear garden. Garage. Unfurnished.

£1,100 PCM



CARDINALS WAY, ELY

A well presented three bedroom townhouse in a sought after city centre location, within walking distance to the rail station and providing easy access to the A10 and A142.

The property comprises of kitchen/diner with range cooker, separate dining room. Downstairs w/c. Lounge. Family bathroom with bath, WC and basin. Master and second bedroom with built in wardrobe and ensuite. Third bedroom with built-in wardrobe. GCH. Garden- Enclosed courtyard garden. Parking- garage and driveway. Unfurnished.

£995 PCM



NEW

CAMBRIDGE ROAD, ELY

A stunning three bedroom semi detached family home a short walk from the City Centre and providing easy access to the rail station and A10.

The property offers a lounge with fireplace, dining room with fireplace, newly fitted kitchen with built in gas hob & electric double oven, fridge/freezer and plumbing for a washing machine, downstairs w/c, conservatory. Three bedrooms. Bathroom. GCH. Front and enclosed rear gardens. Single garage and large driveway. Unfurnished.

£995 PCM



WITCHFORD

A four bedroom detached property in this popular location with local schools and amenities and providing great access to A10 and A142.

The property comprises of entrance hall with downstairs w/c, living room, kitchen with double oven, separate dining room and utility room. Master bedroom with en-suite shower room, three further bedrooms and family bathroom. Integral garage and driveway. Rear enclosed garden. GCH. Unfurnished.

£975 PCM



LITTLEPORT

A delightful detached four bedroom property situated on this modern development in Littleport providing excellent access Ely and the A10.

The well presented property comprises of lounge, large kitchen/dining room with built-in oven and hob, two double bedrooms with en-suite to master and two single bedrooms, family bathroom. GCH. Good size garden laid to lawn. Double garage. Unfurnished.

£850 PCM



LITTLEPORT

A four bedroom mid-terraced property on this popular development in Littleport offering great access to the A10.

The property comprises of lounge/diner, kitchen with appliances, w/c. Three bedrooms to the first floor, one with en-suite and built-in wardrobes, family bathroom. Master bedroom with en-suite and built-in wardrobes to second floor. GCH. Rear garden laid to lawn. Two parking spaces. Unfurnished.

£750 PCM



NEW

KINGS AVENUE, ELY

A modern three bedroom townhouse situated in this popular development to the North of Ely.

The property benefits from three double bedrooms, with en-suite to the master and a further family bathroom. Well presented kitchen with built in gas hob and electric oven, living/dining room and small rear lawned garden. GCH. Single garage and one off road parking space. Unfurnished.

£750 PCM



KINGS AVENUE, ELY

A well presented three bedroom end of terrace property situated in a popular development providing great access to A10 and city centre.

The property comprises of lounge/diner with gas fire, kitchen with gas cooker & hob, fridge/freezer and washing machine, downstairs w/c. Three bedrooms, family bathroom. Rear garden laid to lawn. GCH. Single garage and parking space. Unfurnished.

£725 PCM



BURWELL

A newly decorated two bedroom end terrace house situated in a quiet cul-de-sac in the popular village of Burwell.

The property comprises of lounge/diner with patio doors to the rear garden, kitchen with gas hob and electric oven, fridge and washing machine, two bedrooms and family bathroom with shower over bath. Neutrally decorated throughout. GCH. Enclosed rear garden, garage and parking space. Unfurnished.

£675 PCM

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JUBILEE TERRACE, ELY

A modern and neutrally decorated two bedroom mid terrace property located near the River and within walking distance of the City Centre and Station.

The property comprises of kitchen with built in gas hob/electric oven, washing machine and fridge/freezer, lounge with laminate flooring and French doors to the rear garden, two double bedrooms and bathroom with shower over bath. GCH, enclosed rear garden and parking space at the rear. Unfurnished.

£675 PCM

NEW



COLUMBINE ROAD, ELY

A newly decorated two bedroom property located in the popular Columbine Road development and providing easy access to the city centre and A10.

The property provides lounge/diner, kitchen with built in gas hob and electric oven, BR1 with double built in wardrobe, BR2 with single cupboard and a bathroom with white suite and over bath shower. There is an allocated parking space and an enclosed rear garden with a storage shed. Unfurnished.

£625 PCM



QUAYSIDE, ELY

A three bedroom apartment located next to the river providing easy access to the Station and the Town centre.

The property comprises of lounge with beamed ceiling, kitchen with cooker and space for fridge and washing machine, three bedrooms and family bathroom. Neutrally decorated throughout. GCH. Unfurnished.

£625 PCM



MURFIT CLOSE, ELY

A newly redecorated two bedroom ground floor flat on this popular development, with its own private entrance and offering great access to the A10.

The property comprises of entrance hall, open plan living room and kitchen built-in oven & hob, built-in fridge/freezer, space for washing machine, one double bedroom and one single bedroom, bathroom. GCH. One parking space. Unfurnished.

£625 PCM

NEW PRICE



BRAYS LANE, ELY

An improved two bedroom end terrace house, a short walk from the City Centre, River and railway station.

The property offers a recently fitted kitchen with built in electric hob and oven, washing machine and fridge, lounge, bathroom and two bedrooms, all recently decorated and carpeted. Electric heating. Enclosed rear Courtyard. One allocated parking. Unfurnished.

£620 PCM



ASH GROVE, ELY

A two bedroom end terrace house situated in a quiet cul-de-sac in Ely.

The property comprises of kitchen, lounge, lean to conservatory, two double bedrooms and bathroom with shower over bath. Neutrally decorated throughout, enclosed rear garden, GCH and new double glazing. Allocated parking for 2 cars. Unfurnished.

£595 PCM



WITCHFORD

A modern and well presented two bedroom ground floor flat located in the popular Village of Witchford, two miles West of Ely and providing easy access to the A10 and A142.

The property offers open plan living area, integrated appliances to kitchen area, two bedrooms, one with en-suite shower room. Main bathroom. Double glazed throughout. GCH. Two allocated parking spaces. Unfurnished.

£590 PCM



LITTLEPORT

A smartly presented two bedroom bungalow in this central location in the village of Littleport, which offers a rail station, schools and amenities and access to A10.

The property comprises of lounge/diner, kitchen with breakfast bar, cooker and plumbing for washing machine, master bedroom with fitted wardrobes, second bedroom. Bathroom. Low maintenance gardens. Single garage with fridge/freezer and driveway. Unfurnished.

£550 PCM

NEW



WILLOW WALK, ELY

A well presented one bedroom semi detached house in a quiet location, within walking distance of the City Centre, rail station and river.

The property provides lounge, kitchen with fitted white units & cooker, plumbing for washing machine and space for fridge freezer. Bedroom with built-in wardrobe. Bathroom with shower over bath. GCH. Low maintenance paved rear garden. One allocated parking space for small/medium car (No commercial vehicles). Unfurnished.

£550 PCM



SOHAM

A bright and spacious two bedroom second floor flat in the popular Market Town of Soham.

This neutrally decorated property comprises of lounge/diner with laminate wood flooring, kitchen with built in electric hob & oven, fridge/freezer, washing machine and slimline dishwasher. A double bedroom and good sized single bedroom and bathroom with shower over bath. One allocated parking space. Unfurnished.

£525 PCM



KINGS AVENUE, ELY

A well presented two bedroom first floor flat on the popular Kings Avenue development, in an excellent location and providing easy access to the A10.

The property offers lounge, kitchen with built in electric hob/oven, fridge/freezer and plumbing for washing machine. Two bedrooms. Bathroom with shower over bath. Newly decorated throughout. Parking- one allocated space. Unfurnished.

£575 PCM



SILVER STREET, ELY

A two bedroom period property, located in an excellent City Centre location and within walking distance to the river and rail station.

The property comprises of lounge, dining room with large understairs cupboard, kitchen with built in gas hob/electric oven, dishwasher, plumbing for washing machine and space for fridge, bathroom, two double bedrooms and attic storage room. Neutrally decorated throughout. GCH. Enclosed rear garden with shed. Unfurnished.

£650 PCM



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Volkswagen's Passat and the Audi A6 – two more large vehicles – both also cover in excess of 14,000 miles on average, still well above the rule-of-thumb average of 12,000 miles.

The statistics show that

Make/Model	Av. mileage annually	Claim rate	Incident/Largest claim	Sector
1 Ford Mondeo	15,101	15%	£879.28	Family
2 Volvo S80	14,570	19%	£731.90	Executive
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even covering over 15,000 miles annually, the Mondeo's reliability isn't diminished, only 15 per cent require a warranty claim each year as opposed to the Passat which has a 44 per cent chance of acquiring a fault.

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Warranty Direct managing director, Duncan McClure Fisher, said: "The Mondeo has always been a favourite with company car drivers, and it appears they rarely stay idle for long. Despite this, they are reliable too."

"It goes to show that when buying used, the rule-of-thumb average mileage of 12,000 isn't really applicable, for example a four-year old Micra's average mileage will be little over 20k miles whereas a Mondeo's will be more like 60k miles."

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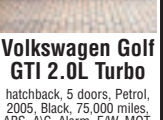
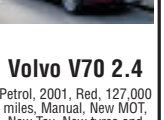


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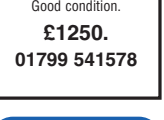
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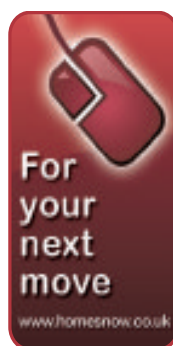
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» Table tennis

Fensom treble does the trick

A MAXIMUM from Roger Fensom, one each from Joe Thorogood and Brian Freer plus the doubles from Fensom and Thorogood were enough to see Elsworth gain a 6-4 victory to move to within one point of their opponents, Ely, in Division One of the Ely & District League.

For Ely, two wins each for Andrew Maguire and Hugo Brown secured their four points. Fulbourn visited Gazeley and came away with a 6-4 triumph. Their points came from Marc Meunier (2), Peters Zivtins (2) and Jim Reary, plus the doubles.

NCI are winners of Division Two and this week's action saw Fulbourn III move into second place with a 9-1 win over St George's.

Fulbourn must now wait to see if they have secured promotion as Haddenham II still have three games to play and could, mathematically, catch them. Impington entertained Ellesmere in their last game of the season and had to settle for a draw. In Division Three, Countess now share top spot following their 6-4 victory over Ely II, with Rob Pownall unbeaten.

Fulbourn V beat Soham Comrades IV by 6-4, with Matt Gunton taking three wins. Fulbourn IV stuttered to a 6-4 defeat at the hands of Haddenham III after at one point being 6-1 down. In a Handicap Plate second round tie, Haddenham's Christian Mohan made light of his -5 handicap to cruise through his matches against Carl Woolf and Duncan Gates of Fulbourn VI, setting his team on the way to a 5-1 victory. Haddenham now face their second string in the semi-final.

» Tag rugby

Hooray: The Little Thetford team celebrates winning silver medals CP



Thetford have a silver haul tagged

LITTLE Thetford, representing the Witchford School Sports Partnership, were runners-up for the Year 5/6 tag rugby county title in the first School Games festival at St Neots. They were narrowly beaten by St Anne's C of E Primary

School, Godmanchester, in the final of a competition that saw 200 primary school pupils from 20 Cambridgeshire & Peterborough schools. Downham Feoffees, also of Witchford SSP earned the bronze medal in the third place

play-off with victory over Harston & Newton (South Cambridgeshire). St Anne's narrowly beat Downham by one try in the first semi-final and Little Thetford claimed an extra-time golden try victory over Harston & Newton.

» Hockey: East Men's League, Division 2N

It's just perfect as City nab the title

ELY City put the seal on a terrific season with a great week in which two more home wins saw them secure promotion, the title, and ensure they finished the season with a perfect home record of 11 wins from 11.

On Thursday, under the lights at King's School, Ely saw off a spirited Cambridge Nomads II side 3-0 with goals from Jack Upton, Tom Rutledge

and Dan Jolly. The performance was not pretty, but it was three points and skipper Stu Clarke could open the champagne.

On Saturday, a weary Ely had to lift themselves for their final home game of the season against a physical Norwich City II.

After going behind to two soft goals, they battled back to win 3-2 with goals from Nick Wells and Rob Radcliffe (2).

Skipper Clarke said "I'm delighted with the boys. It's been a fantastic season. We've had to scratch out a few results at times, but the lads have stuck together and shown real togetherness where other sides might have fallen over.

"We've got one more game to get up for next week - away at second-placed Sudbury where it would be nice to lay down one final marker."

» Youth football round-up

Rampant Colts keep up the good work

WITCHFORD Colts' winning Cambridge & District Colts League, Division 12B run continued with a 5-0 victory at St Ives Rangers White Sox.

Ben Tomkins opened the scoring after three minutes, and goals from Jordan Emms and Sam Matthews made it 3-0 at half time.

Witchford tightened their grip in the second half with goals from Max Loker and Emms. ■ Witchford Colts overcame a resilient Haddenham Rovers team 4-0 in Division 10C of the Cambs Mini League.

Ex-Haddenham striker Callum Francis scored the only goal of the first half, and second-half

strikes from Sam Cooper, Ellis Garner and Archie Smith completed the job.

■ A Division 10D local derby saw Witchford Colts Blues beat the Yellows 5-2. Matthew Allgood (2), Matthew Hunter (2) and man of the match Harry Beckson scored for the Blues, with Oliver Hickman notching a goal for the Yellows.

■ A Harry Myles treble helped Littleport Rangers claim a 7-1 win at Sutton Rangers in Division 9C.

Jake Driver, Joe Cowell and two own goals completed the tally, with Jacob Shepherd replying for Sutton.

» Martial arts

Ely trio notch up English successes

STUDENTS from the Ely School were among members of the Mark Farnham Schools of Tae Kwon-Do who took part in the TAGB English Championships at Telford International Centre.

There was a total of 28 fighting areas running

throughout the day, with nearly 1,000 competitors and 400 officials.

There were pattern, sparring, destruction and team sparring events. Three members of the Ely School achieved success. They were J Hall, third in the men's black belt team sparring,

I Knighton, third in the boys' blue belt sparring and V Vitacolonna, who won the men's yellow belt sparring.

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» Round-up

Brennand's twin blast keeps Lions roaring on

» Korfball

LITTLEPORT Lions continued their unbeaten run with a 6-5 home win over Cambridge Tigers III. The match got off to a great start for Lions, Lions, who established a 4-0 lead after 15 minutes, but they were eventually forced to hang on as they made it nine straight wins this season. Tom Brennand scored two goals, with Laura Neaves, Lindsey Neaves, Andrew Cusick and Andy Dunlop also on the scoresheet. Lions are offering free korfball training to all new players every Tuesday until the end of April.

Training takes place from 8.30pm indoors at Littleport Leisure Centre.

New female and male players over the age of 13 are welcome to attend.

» Netball

IN their final Cambridge & District Netball League match of the season, City of Ely II could not delay Comberton III's promotion to the Premier Division nor their own relegation to Division Two. It was a big ask to beat the top-of-the-league team, but City gave it their best. They stayed in contention

until half time when they were 24-17 down.

A slip in their focus in the third quarter resulted in their opponents taking the upper hand.

City, however, showed determination and recaptured some of their composure before going down 49-34.

» Tennis

ELY Tennis Club is holding a series of junior tennis and multi-sports camps during the schools' Easter holidays.

Sessions, designed for five to eight-year-olds, nines to 12s and 12s to 16s, will be held at the club's headquarters in Downham Road, Ely, from April 2-16. For further details, phone Sebastian Scaux on 07809 117689 or email elytennisclubcoaching@hotmail.co.uk

» Rugby Union

ELY under-11s ran in 16 tries as they blitzed their Haverhill counterparts 102-0.

Robert Armer led the way with six tries and there were also scores from Matthew Melloy (3), Harry Grey (2), Sam Easey, Kallum Mulhall, Ben Storey, Carl Tuck and Jake Wood.

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Greens' future bright – Fallon

STEVE Fallon believes there is plenty to work with as he looks to build a lasting legacy at Soham Town Rangers.

The Greens were unfortunate to come away from Saturday's match with nothing after first taking the lead through Dan Cotton and then dominating the second half after Kurt Smith had equalised.

Jack Barry's winner came six minutes from time, but Fallon was optimistic about the rest of the season.

"It wasn't a good result, but there were some good things," he said.

"We've brought some young lads in, thrown them straight into it, and I thought they did very well.

"Sometimes you need the rub of the green and we didn't get it today."

Fallon's return to management at Soham appears to have swept in a positive mood at Julius Martin Lane, and he admitted that he would not have taken the post if he did not believe the potential was there to take the club further up the non-league ladder.

"It's a good ground and there are good people working hard in the background," he said. "We've now got to get a team in place to reflect that and do the club justice," he said.

"These things take time, but you have to have some expectations and strive to do well. I don't agree with two, three or four-year plans. Firstly we want to stay in this league this season and then be challenging to get promoted from it next season."

The former Histon boss took to the dug-out in typically understated fashion, taking his place pitch-side before the teams walked out on to the pitch.

Assistant Ian Hart joined him moments after kick-off

**Soham Town Rangers 1
Romford 2**

RYMAN LEAGUE, DIVISION ONE NORTH

and was the more vocal of the two on the sidelines.

There were moments where Fallon was unable to contain his frustration though, even more so when the match moved into a tense final third.

The Soham squad included debutants James McCabe, Lewis Brown and Anton Johnson, plus former Histon captain Neil Andrews, who came out of retirement to join his former manager at Julius Martin Lane.

Andrews' arrival at Julius Martin Lane has coincided with the departure of Andy Furnell and Andy Coleman, who stepped aside as player-manager and assistant respectively last week.

Simon Flanz, Scott Carter, Denny Escorcio and Andy Harrison have also left.

Soham got off to the perfect start when Cotton fired them in front after just three minutes.

Smith's equaliser two minutes before half time was a blow, but Soham controlled the second half. Dubi Ogbonna and Cotton spurned the best opportunities, with both Fallon and Hart holding their heads in their hands after Ogbonna blasted a shot wide of the near post when well placed.

Barry's untidy winner made for a disappointing conclusion, but Fallon has not been in place long and his players are already showing the kind of commitment and endeavour that suggests they should avoid the drop this season.

Soham face their next challenge on Saturday when Fallon is due to take his team to a Brentwood Town side who are currently lying in a comfortable position in the top half of the table. Kick-off is at 3pm.



Eyes on the ball: Soham's Michael Simpson, right, tussles for the ball with a Romford opponent.

Picture: Keith Heppell
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On target: Richard Gammon, who notched up one of Ely's goals.

It's game back on for high-flying Robins – Alsop

Stanway Rovers 1 Ely City 3
RIDGEONS LEAGUE, PREMIER DIVISION

ALAN Alsop's men returned to the top of the table with a deserved win at Stanway Rovers on Saturday.

City produced a fine second-half performance to clinch a comeback victory, and the players were buoyed even further when news of title rivals Wroxham's loss to CRC filtered through.

"We deserved the win in the end," said Alsop. "It's great to be back on top. It's 'game on' again now."

The home side took an early lead in the first half, but Josh Bridgeman equalised for City to make it 1-1 at the interval.

A much improved second-half performance saw Austin Diaper and Richard Gammon both score crucial goals that secured all three points and a return to top spot.

"We played really well in the second half," added Alsop.

"They never really looked like threatening us."

The Robins will be looking to build on the good work on Saturday when they travel to Suffolk to take on Woodbridge Town, kick-off 3pm.

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